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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR . . .

Greetings! This is my first "Quarterly" as editor and as with most new editors, a time for some changes. For many years our "Quarterly" has been a semi-annual publication and as you will see from the new cover we are finally giving it a name that more accurately reflects this. Starting with this issue our "Quarterly" will become *The Alumnae Record*. It will be published twice yearly in November and in June and will still include all of the news items and feature articles that you send in. I welcome any ideas or suggestions you may have for the Record. These and all of your news can be sent to me directly or thru the alumnae office, it is your magazine and we need your news!

My thanks to "Terry" Conlon (1941) for her help in making this a smooth transition period with her offer of advice and assistance as I begin my tenure as editor and chairperson.

The holidays are almost upon us so let me take this opportunity to wish all of you a very happy holiday season and a healthy and productive 1986.

Linda Lass Schuhmacher (1967)

HOMECOMING '85

Hurricane Gloria hit New England Friday but that did not deter 186 alumnae from near and far from gathering Saturday morning at the Howard Johnson "57" for the annual business meeting, program and luncheon.

The Association honored the reunion classes and some special people at the luncheon with small gifts:

Class of 1925 - MGH pens

Class of 1935 - MGH scarves

Class of 1960 - carnation corsages

Class of 1975 - carnation corsages

Class of 1924 - Cross pens

Esther Goff Becker (1914) - corsage & scarf

Ruth Sleeper (1922) - MGH umbrella

Jennie Chang Ernst (1950) and Florence Nagao Stanley (1950) were each given an MGH pen for having traveled the greatest distance to attend (from Hawaii).

The thanks of the Association was extended to Ann Cahill (1945) and Alice "Terry" Yancey Conlon (1941) for their years of dedicated service to the organization. Each was presented with an MGH umbrella.

Our thanks to all of you who made the day a success. Our special thanks also to:

Mary McKenney Singh (1935) for her generous donation to the Ruth Sleeper Scholarship Fund.

The Board for their contribution of \$100.00 to the In Memoriam Fund in memory of Edna Lepper.

Homecoming 1986 is already being planned so mark your calendars and keep Saturday, September 27 open because we hope to see you at the Howard Johnson "57" for the meeting, program, lunch, and most importantly to reunite old friendships and celebrate together.

HOMECOMING 1985 PHOTOS

TO ORDER: Enclose your check payable to Fay Foto with the number noted under the photo and mail directly to:

Fay Foto 201 South Street Boston, MA 02111 The first class of nurses of the MGH Institute of Health Professions graduated on Friday, June 21 at a ceremony on the Bulfinch Lawn. The students received master's degrees in nursing are the first nursing graduates of the hospital since the diploma program closed in 1981. We congratulate the class and welcome them to our association.

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1 copy \$5.00 each 2-5 copies \$3.75 each 6-10 copies \$3.25 each The Faculty and Staff offices for the MGH Institute of Health Professions has moved from Bartlett Hall to the newly refurbished 20 Charles Street. The only office that did not is Ms. Petzold's which moved to Ruth Sleeper Hall. Transcripts are still obtainable from Ms. Petzold's office, but there are no caps available there.

ANNUAL REPORTS

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INC.

ALUMNAE PRESIDENT

This has been a very active year for the association. The board met monthly and sub-committees were formed to deal with major issues. Among the accomplishments of the Board this year were: the annual reception and awarding of the Ruth Sleeper Scholarship for the Institute Nursing Students was held November, in April the pinning ceremony for the nursing students was attended by Carolyn Thayer who presented the students flowers and the congratulations of the Association, in May the Board put together a booth on the History of Nursing Education at MGH for the hospital's International Fair, and in June I attended the graduation exercises of the Institute to congratulate the first nursing graduates.

It is with regret that we accept the resignation of Terry Conlon as editor of the Quarterly Record. We thank her for her many years of dedication and hard work and wish to formally recognize her service to the Association. I will be assuming the responsibility as editor.

The By-laws Committee was active this year and copies of the old and the proposed new By-laws were sent to all members of the Association in July to be voted on at the annual meeting.

A sub-committee has recently been organized to explore the feasibility of computerizing the records in the Alumnae office and will be reporting next year at the annual meeting.

My thanks to all of the members of the Board and special thanks to our volunteers in the office and Lee Drago, our secretary, for their hard work over this past year. It has been a pleasure serving with them.

Linda Lass-Schuhmacher President

ANNUAL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

September 28, 1985

- The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Linda Lass-Schuhmacher, President.
- 2. The minutes of the previous General Meeting held on September 29, 1984 were read.
- 3. Reports were given by the President, other officers, Committee Chairmen and the Alumnae Secretary.

Due to the hurricane some Committee Chairmen were unable to be present. All reports will be in the Quarterly.

- 4. Proposed By-Laws revisions were presented.
 - a. Modifications to include Graduates of the M.G.H. Institute of Health Professions Nursing Program.
 - b. Staggering election of Nominating Committee Members.

c. Recognition of Long Standing Members (Free Life Membership for Alumnae Members for 60 or more years).

There was no discusion. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved by members present to accept the By-Laws revisions. Members were requested to keep the copies they had previously received. Additional copies will be available upon request from the Alumnae Office.

5. The election results were reported.

Vice President - Jeannette Bourgoin Blaine '55 Treasurer - Catherine H. Boyd '52 Board of Directors - Carolyn J. Thayer '62 Ann Peterson '68 Nominating Committee -Mary Fischer '75

6. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Dorothy Mahoney Recording Secretary

ANNABELLA McCRAE LOAN FUND

The fund was able to give three loans out over the past year. Most former loan recipients have been repaying but we still have a few delinquent accounts. A proposed billing system is currently being investigated.

Carolyn Thayer Chairperson

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee prepared the following ballot for the election of officers for the upcoming year:

Vice-President Jan Blaine
Barbara Dewees-Donovan
Treasurer Catherine
Harrington Boyd
Board of Directors Helene
McDonough
Ann Peterson

Results of the election were read at the end of the Annual Business Meeting.

Nominating

Kathleen Keenan Chairperson

Carolyn Thayer

Mary Fischer

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

On Saturday, September 29, 1984, at the Howard Johnson "57", J. Gordon Scannell, M.D., Visiting Surgeon at the Massachusetts General Hospital, spoke on "Surgery at the MGH During the Churchill Years."

Mary Caira Chairperson

QUARTERLY RECORD

This past year we were able to distribute two issues of the Quarterly with only minor delays. We are now beginning a transition period as Terry Conlon, after many years of hard work, has retired from her job as editor and I am assuming the responsibility. Once again I turn to you, the membership, to send in news items

and articles. Remember we can't print what we don't have!

Linda Lass-Schuhmacher Chairperson

SALLY JOHNSON AND FELICIA KULIG FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEES

The Committee for the Sally Johnson and the Felicia Kulig Fullerton Scholarship funds met in May to decide the coming year's scholarship recipients. Nine applications had been received and four applicants met all the requirements. One applicant later returned the scholarship because she had received a full scholarship from another source.

No scholarships from the Sally Johnson Fund were granted, because the fund has been dwindling. Hopefully, this rest will allow the fund to recoupe.

All the scholarships derived from the Felicia Kulig Fullerton Fund. The recipients were the following:

Mary Jean Conroy - class of 1977 - for BSN

Susan Emery - class of 1976 - for MSN

Kathleen Keenan - class of 1973 - for MSN

For those interested in applying for a scholarship next year, please contact the Alumnae Office for an application, which must be filed before May 1, 1986. The requirements are that the applicant will be a full time student for the semester following the scholarship award. The earliest award would be made in August, 1986. The applicant must be an active member in the Alumnae

Association, i.e. paid dues. Preference is given for those pursuing a degree in nursing. We encourage applications to be submitted as soon as possible.

The Committee extends its best wishes to those undertaking educational pursuits.

Marlene Norton

Chairperson

ALUMNAE SECRETARY

We are pleased to announce that our fund drive for 1985 has to date reached \$11,012 surpassing last year's total. This is very good news, as our costs such as postage, auditor's fees, etc. keep escalating. A special thank you goes to every member (a total of approximately 502) who so generously contributed to the fund and also to every class representative who did the mailing.

Membership in the Alumnae Association continues in a downward trend. We have 1188 members in 1985, including 18 new members and the 25 members of the 1986 M.G.H. Institute of Health Professions's Nursing Division, who received complimentary membership. A membership drive is being contemplated for the near future and we are encouraged and grateful to the alumnae who recruit new members for us.

Our deep gratitude goes to our volunteers, Miriam Huggard, Evelyn Lyons Lawlor and Marjorie Goldthwait Richardson for their volunteer work and my co-worker Alma Cady Robbins, the officers and board members for their support.

Eligia (Lee) Drago

TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 1985

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1985

\$22,555.52

Receipts:

Dues: \$3,500.00 Misc.: 2,375.41 Fund: 10,100.89

Int: 557.10 16,533.40 \$39,088.92

\$15,424.54 3,356.00

\$18,780.54

\$20,308.38

ANNABELLA McCRAE LOAN FUND (Mutual Bank)

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1985

\$9,925.21

Receipts:

Disbursements:

Loan Repayments: Interest:

\$6,442.39 481.10

6,923.49

\$16,848.70

Disbursements: 3 Loans

8-15-85 at \$1,500 each

Loan overpayment 41.60

4,541.60 \$12,307.10

ANNABELLA McCRAE LOAN FUND (90-Day acc't) Boston Five #990164)

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1985 Receipts: Interest \$36.29 \$7,141.27 36.29

Balance as of May 1, 1985

7,177.56

LOTTIE POTTS FUND (Boston Five #1306600)

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1985

\$1,768.61

LOTTIE POTTS FUND (Boston Five #1306601)

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1985

51.98

SALLY JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1985 \$6,684.22

Receipts: Gifts \$10.00

Receipts: Int. 129.70 139.70

\$6,823.92

\$27,797.51

Balance as of June 1, 1985

FIDELITY ACCOUNT 223101635

As of Jan. 1, 1985		\$9,035.51
Interest 1/31/85 - 5/31/85 Purchase \$250.00	\$251.50	251.50 \$9,287.01 250.00
Balance as of June 1, 1985		\$9,537.01
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March 15, 1985 \$20,000 transferred	
to Certificate of Deposit 0211417 (12 mo.	
fixed rate 10%)	\$20,000.00
Interest as of June 15th	504.11
	\$20,504.11
March 15, 1985 \$7,796.51 transferred to	
Cash Management Account 1092-8067	\$7,796.51
Interest from 4/2/85 to 8/2/85	235.55
Disbursements:	\$8,032.06
August 15, 1985 3 Scholarship checks	
at \$1,250 each	3,750.00
Balance as of Sept. 1, 1985	\$4,282.06

Catherine H. Boyd

account 9400-8067)

"Growing Old: Facts and Fictions"

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In this paper I plan to discuss the concept old, to present some facts about aging in order to dismiss some fictions, and to review some common concerns of older people in which nursing can make a significant contribution.

What is old? The most popular social measure is chronological time, that is, the number of calendar years accumulated. In most western societies people at 65 years of age are commonly thought of as "old" because social legislation typically sets retirement benefits at that age. However, designating 65 years old is clearly arbitrary; in the years ahead social legislation might change retirement age to 55 or 70 years.

Relating chronological age to being old is also very subjective. I once asked a four year old boy how many years old old was. He said, "ten." Surely if we were to discuss age with those people who have lived the longest, they might consider individuals of 70 years quite young.

Calendar year measurement provides a general reference frame. In itself it neither defines nor prescribes behavior. Birthdays ought to be enjoyable occasions to celebrate all that an individual is and still can be. I admire a friend who posted a sign on her birthday, "Seventy-two and still growing up!" She recognized that she was growing in experience, skills,

ideas, feelings. She didn't limit herself to a numerical score card. We need to remind ourselves that if all we know about someone is their chronological age, we really don't know anything about them at all.

Using a chronological framework can be helpful, and in more recent times the terms "young old" and "old old" have become useful reference points. Young old refers to those aged 60 plus or minus five years to 80 plus or minus five years. Old old refers to those 80 plus or minus five years. Distinguishing chronologically in subgroups within the large and complex category of "over 65 years" is an effort to better focus attention on an important population segment.

Biological age refers to an individual's present biological state with respect to his potential life span. It is true that genetic factors have a role in longevity with those having long living parents enjoying a gain of perhaps as much as six years over those with short living parents. But life style may be even more significant. We can decide to smoke cigarettes or not, be over or normal weight, high or low salt users, physically active or inactive, and chose many other behaviors directly related to both health and longevity.

While we can describe many biological changes with increased age,

such as loss of hair color due to a depletion of hair color pigment, scientists have not yet answered the larger question, "What causes biological aging?" There are numerous theories which can be separated simply into two foci: inside factors, that is, those that arise within us and outside factors, those external to us. Inside factors direct attention to cell mechanisms which may become exhausted or dysfunctional over time. These include theories of progressive, accumulated error or mutation in protein synthesis, biochemical damage to DNA molecules, and progressive alteration of the immunological system. Outside factors distinguish environmental issues such as toxic pollutants, physical variance of temperature and nutrition, and the impact of psycho-social stress.

Most research is focused on the cellular level or inside factors to explain the biological cause of aging. While some theories seem more promising than others, none as yet adequately explains the cause of biological aging.

Study of physiological function with increased age provides a more pragmatic approach. Bafitis and Sargent (1977) reviewed, standardized, and compared various physiological parameters derived from age based studies. They found that most functional indices increased from birth to a maximum between 3 and 20 years with a progressive but slow decline from age 30. Their analysis also confirmed the common finding that there was pronounced individual variation across subjects as age increased. However, these data depicting a decline are being challenged. For example, a

recent paper from the Baltimore Longitudinal Study of Aging (Lindeman, Tobin, Shock, 1985) reported that renal function in subjects without renal or related disease remained the same over 23 years with 14 measures for one-third, declined to a much less significant degree in most, and actually increased in a small group of subjects.

Sociological age refers to the roles and social habits ascribed to different times of life. As a society we have general beliefs about normal behavior; amongst our beliefs are some which are unfair to older people and reflect negative feelings about old age. When we use expressions such as "at her age" or "second childhood" we limit options, we limit growth for older people and perhaps, more importantly, for ourselves. Theories are emerging which, when applied to the aged, may help explain or guide roles for those who can truly be called the survivors in our culture.

Psychological age refers to the adaptive capacity of an individual. While common stereotypes may depict old people as fixed in their ways and resistive to new ideas, logic suggests that the opposite is more likely. Surely the oldest members of society are its most adaptive; they have adjusted and coped with the most change.

The limited research into personality over time tends to support continuity rather than either dramatic or substantive alteration with age. There is no one personality type associated with successful aging; a variety of quite different adaptive styles seem to support adjustment and coping.

Having considered calendar, bio-

logical, and social science measures, it might be helpful to distinguish the terms aging and old. Aging is the gradual mix of physiological, social, and psychological changes in a person which occur in a non-specific time frame and with substantive individual differences. Old is a perspective affected by complex cultural phenomena.

Who is sixty-five years of age or older? The latest demographic data available shows that 11.7% of the United States population are 65 years of age or older (American Association of Retired People, 1985). By the year 2000 this figure is expected to increase to 13% and by 2030 to be 21%. The increasing population of older people since 1900 is chiefly accounted for by an increased life expectancy: from 47.3 years at birth in 1900 to 74.5 years in 1982. Life expectancy gains at age 65 are a modest 5 years between 1900 and 1982. Age subsets within the 65 and older population show the greatest gain in the 85 and older group. The male to female ratio, slightly weighted to males in 1900, has dramatically reversed to show in 1980 only 68 males per 100 females age 65 and over. The average older American in 1983 had completed only 11 years of school; education level is projected to increase in the future older population.

Nationally, Florida has the most elderly people with 17.5% of its population 65 years or more. In addition, ten states have elderly populations percentages greater than the national average; Massachusetts is one with 13.2% of its population 65 years or over. Elderly population percentages are growing at rates greater than 10%

over a three year period in twelve states; foremost in Alaska and Nevada both with percentage increases of 24% since 1980. In terms of locale, most (71%) older people live in metropolitan areas, slightly more in subburbs (39%) than in the central city (32%). Most (67%) live in family units; few (5%) are institutionalized in longterm care at any one time. However, the risk of such institutionalization in later years is estimated to be between 25-50%. None-the-less, the majority (70%) of older Americans describe their health as good to excellent, although black elderly are more likely than white to describe their health as fair to poor (48% to 29%).

There are common concerns about growing older, perhaps most frequent is a fear that "the mind will go." Some of this concern was supported in early cross-sectional intelligence studies. The early studies compared groups of people varying by age on standard intelligence test scores. Analysis showed that there was an age difference; older people did markedly less well than younger people. More recent studies have attended to age change rather than age difference, that is, the research design requires observation of the same individual over time in a longitudinal manner. Intelligence as measured in longitudinal or age change studies shows minimal decline and in some abilities increases until age 60 with subsequent decline slight (Schaie and Geiwitz, 1982).

Thus, in normal aging there is no substantive evidence that "The mind goes" to any significant degree. However, some people, more often elderly suffer from dementia, a progressive,

irreversible, disease caused process characterized by marked structural alteration in the brain. It is estimated that the prevalence (number afflicted at any one time) of dementia in those 65 years and over ranges from 1.3 to 6.2% for severe dysfunction and 2.6 to 20.0% for mild (Mortimer, 1983). This guite wide range reflects both differences in diagnostic criteria and problems in recognizing this disorder. Alzheimer's disease is thought to be the most common cause of dementia, followed by multiple cerebral infarct, and a combination of these two etiologies. Major research is ongoing in Alzheimer's disease, exploring such aspects as genetics, trace metals, immune reactions, slow viruses, and neurotransmitters in an effort to understand and treat this disease.

Nursing nomenclature guishes confusion as a patient problem with attention essential to discriminate its cause. The older person may be confused, that is, acting or speaking inappropriately because of perceptual difficulty, physiological disturbance, emotional or psychiatric dysfunction, as well as pathological brain disease such as Alzheimer's. Critical to nursing is assessment skill and appropriate treatment to reverse or reduce these types of confusion. In dementia nursing has just begun to explore ways to provide safe and satisfying life for those who suffer and to help families cope with this tragic disease.

Problems with mobility cause concern to many older people; indeed, arthritis is the most common chronic condition affecting those 65 and over. I think fewer people are aware of the

common age difference in balance which also affects mobility. Sheldon (1965) graphically illustrated these changes in a cross-sectioned study which compared postural sway in 260 individuals who ranged in age from six to over eighty years. He found that full control of stance was not gained until the twenties but that such proficiency was maintained for about thirty years. After the fifth decade of life postural sway began to increase with problems in loss of balance more likely. Recent research confirms age difference in balance and recognizes the effect of poor physical fitness and harmful environmental factors as well (Era and Heikkinen, 1985). Nursing has a significant role in maximizing optimum individual mobility through careful assessment, ascertaining that assistive devices are appropriate and used correctly, and promoting meaningful activity, self-care, and self-pacing. It is vitally important that nurses take actions to prevent immobility as well as systematically explore methods to reduce or resolve immobility problems.

Loss of urine control is another concern of older people. Data from institutionalized old people reflect that urinary incontinence occurs in 45-76% (Wells, 1984). Although there are no longitudinal studies, cross-sectional work shows that urine control is a problem especially for women across age groups. Thomas, et al., (1980) in a large English study found that women reported urinary incontinence as follows: 12% of those 65 years of age or more, 40% of those aged 35-65, and 19% of those 15-24 years. These data suggest that loss of urine control is not a normal consequence of aging but rather response to specific physiological trauma or disease.

Nurses can evaluate urine control problems to differentiate simple from complex causes. Simple causes of diminished urine control include urinary tract infections and medication response; these are simple because they are relatively easy to discover and treat. Complex causes of urinary incontinence are those arising from specific urological dysfunction such as stress incontinence, i.e., a loss of urine with coughing, lifting, or with any increased abdominal pressure. Nursing knowledge includes treatments appropriate for complex

incontinence such as pelvic floor exercise for stress urine loss. Several nursing research studies, including my own (Wells, T., Brink, C., Diokno, A., Nursing Interventions: Urine Control in Older Women, NIA AGO 3542) are carefully evaluating this and other treatments.

I have presented a broad perspective of aging with implications for nursing briefly noted. The scope of nursing thus reflected is gerontological nursing, the youngest specialty in our field. As it grows older I believe it will lead the way in separating fact from fiction to improve the quality of life for older people.

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From the oldest to the youngest . . .



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A good time was had by all!



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Edna Susan Lepper 1902-1985

"Ave atque Vale! Hail and Farewell"

Mary E. MacDonald, Director MGH Department of Nursing -1968-1983

Edna Susan Lepper entered this world on August 13, 1902, in Attleboro, Massachusetts, and departed it on August 19, 1985, with the same quiet dignity which characterized her life. The chronicle of these four-score plus years weaves a saga of personal integrity and strength, deep-seated Christian faith, staunch loyalties and a steadfast equilibrium in both moments of bitter agony and sublime ecstasy—as well as a professional record studded with significant accomplishments, contributions and honors received! Indeed, the span of her touch and influence in both spheres of her life is immeasurable, and there are many individuals, among whom I am privileged to be numbered, who profited greatly from her quiet but sagacious counsel in matters related to their personal and professional lives.

Edna S. Lepper - The Student

A long-standing love affair with the M.G.H. began on September 13, 1922, when at the age of twenty years she entered the M.G.H. School of Nursing, after a two-year stint as Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools in Attleboro. Her pre-admission references are replete with affir-



mations of her innate intelligence, personal character, academic accomplishments, and work-oriented ethic. One such reference summed it up in a single sentence, namely, "One of the finest characters we have in the church and city."

Miss Johnson's acceptance letter was a source of great amusement to her, in later years at least, in that it included a warning that "bobbed" hair was not allowed and, if perchance she was so coiffed and was unwilling to allow it "to grow out" she was to notify her at once so that a "suitable" replacement could be made! In truth, it was not her hairdo that proved to be a problem—but rather, her naturally rosy cheeks! On occasion, after morning inspection on the wards, she was sent back to the dormitory to remove the X-rated rouge from her face! Needless to say, she went docilely but with "tongue in rosy cheek!"

A review of her student record affirms the expectations of her sponsors and, in January, 1926, she graduated. Miss Johnson's terse summary statement reads: "Excellent in every way. Is returning to take charge of a medical ward."

Edna S. Lepper - The Professional

Miss Lepper remained at the M.G.H, in the roles of Head Nurse and Assistant Night Supervisor until June, 1927. At this time, she left Boston for Rochester, New York, where she assumed a Head Nurse position at the Strong Memorial Hospital. From there she went to Springfield, Massachusetts, where she served as Assistant Superintendent of Nurses and Principal of the School of Nursing at Springfield Hospital.

After a seven year hiatus, during which she completed her baccalaureate studies at Teachers College, Columbia University, she returned to the M.G.H. for a brief period as Surgical Supervisor and Instructor in Surgical Nursing. Her letter of appointment quotes a salary of \$96.92/month plus maintenance; with three hours off per twelve hour day, per six day week, two of which were to be allocated to recreation and one for class preparation!

In 1938, she returned to western Massachusetts in the role of Superintendent of Nurses and Principal of the School of Nursing at the Cooley Dickinson Hospital in Northampton.

In April 1941, Miss Johnson invited Miss Lepper to return to the M.G.H. to assume the newly created position of Assistant Superintendent of Nurses, with a major responsibility

for the administration of the Nursing Service, at an annual salary of \$2,000/ annum plus maintenance, which included room, board and laundry. In September of that year, she returned and thus began a twenty-seven year uninterrupted tenure in nursing service administration at the M.G.H.

Ten years later, Miss Sleeper named her an Associate Director, a position she held until Miss Sleeper's retirement in September, 1966, when she became Director of the Nursing Service.

Miss Lepper's professional contributions and achievements during her long administrative tenure are legion-and, consequently, defy summation in this brief review. The intra- and extramural impact of her administrative talent and wisdom have been documented for posterity in a variety of earlier publications. It is to be noted that, throughout the years, her professional stance and decisions were markedly influenced by the external challenges of wars, epidemics, social changes and economic fluctuations—as well as by the awesome and relentless medical and technological breakthroughs in the health care field. In addition, she was faced with the task of maintaining a state of essential equilibrium in a nursing milieu fraught with the intra- and interprofessional struggles and vicissitudes at play as the profession-atlarge rallied to establish for itself an avant-garde position in the health care field.

On the home front, she was instrumental in blueprinting and implementing organizational and attitudinal changes to meet the burgeoning demands for more and better utilization of nursing expertise—the Dispatch Service, Unit Manager System, Time and Motion Studies, and Computerized Staffing Program stand out as cases in point. At the time of her retirement in 1968, her legacy to the institution and department of nursing was one in which she could and did take great pride.

Her contributions to the profession were not restricted to the perimeters of the M.G.H. As a member of the American Hospital Association teaching staff, the American Nurses Association, the National League for Nursing, the American Red Cross, and the Society for the Advancement of Management, her administrative knowledge and skills were avidly sought after and unselfishly shared. Her professional vitae is replete with the roles she played as a member and officer of a variety of national, regional and local boards, commissions, councils and committees related to nursing service, nursing education and broader health care matters. Of particular note are Miss Lepper's:

- Appointment by the U.S. State Department as the only nurse member of a panel of health care consultants to the countries of Guatemala and Venezuela.
- Service as a post-World War II nursing consultant at Rhode Island Hospital.
- Appointment as Clinical Professor of Nursing Administration at Boston University, where she shared in the early planning, organization, and implementation of the Nursing Administration Resident Program.
- Post-retirement role as consultant in nursing service in New Brunswick, Canada.

In a professional career, which spanned a period of almost fifty years, her active and productive input in the field of nursing can rightly be described as prodigious.

Edna S. Lepper - The Woman

My personal association with Miss Lepper began with my return to the M.G.H. in 1967 to assume the position from which she was retiring, and it continued until the time of her death. From this vantage point, I would describe her as a warm and gracious lady, whose deep spirit of faith and humaneness was keenly felt only by those whose privilege it was to know the "compleat" person. I believe that a certain innate shyness and preference to serve serenely and quietly behind the scenes deprived many professional associates of a full awareness of her warm humor and "joie de vivre." The brilliance of stage lights and the lofty dais were not, one might say, her "cup of tea." Her style was to market and implement the products of a creative mind with the unrelenting confidence of a born leader without concern for right of ownership or the expectation of personal kudos. She approached each challenge in both her professional and personal life with calm dignity and perseverance.

She truly loved life and made the most of each passing day. Her "away from work" hours were filled with the exploration and enjoyment of the treasures of art, music, theater, literature and travel. Especially meaningful to her was her role as an organizer of the Old South Church Handbell Band, and later, as director of the New England Guild of Handbell

Ringers. Her devoted service to her parish—the Old South Church—was a source of great personal fulfillment. Most recently, its Library, the Church Council and Long Range Planning Committee benefited greatly from the acumen of her organizational know how.

I place her name among the few "significant others" in my profes-

sional career, and I am sure many of the personal and professional associates, whose paths have been enriched by her presence, will join in this salute to a very special member of the Class of 1926.

"Ave atque Vale! Hail and Farewell!"

We Present . . .

ANN CAHILL is alive and well and about to thrive in the leisure and luxury of retirement! Getting information about her contributions to the Alumnae Associations has been difficult. Through the years she has been such an active and contributing member that it has been easy to take her for granted.

Asking her for some details was of little help. She just chuckles in her own special way and says, "Oh, I really haven't done that much."

Ann retired from MGH last March after many years and many contributions as a nurse in the Operating room and the School of Nursing.

The recognition she received at that time was certainly indicative of how much respect, admiration and affection she had earned. This does not surpass the feelings shared by members of the Alumnae who have worked with Ann or shared the fruits of her labors.

Ann graduated in 1945 and returned to get her degree in 1962 after receiving a Sally Johnson Scholarship. Since that time she has served the Alumnae in a variety of ways including: Director of the Board, Program Chairman and as Treasurer for many years.

Of particular note was her work as co-chairman of our wonderfully successful Centennial Celebration in 1973.

Although Ann has "given up" her office as Treasurer she plans to continue as an active member of the Association as Chairman of the Ruth Sleeper Scholarship Committee.

Today we recognize and thank her for her many contributions to our organization—but this does not mean we will let her retire. In fact now that she is not a "full time employee"—all the more time for us!

Thanks, Ann, for all you have done and for the gracious, friendly and thoughtful way you do it.

by Dorothy Mahoney (1952)

Class News Notes

1920

EILEEN M. YOUNG wrote to say how much she would like to be at homecoming but could not attend. She also said if any MGH folks happened to be in Edinburgh she would welcome them. Her address: 26 Woodburn Terrace, Edinburgh EH10 4SS Scotland.

1928

HELUE MACLEAN SUTHERLAND wrote to tell us of the death of her husband Don after a brief siege of leukemia. She is still at RR1 Mooretown, Ontario.

We also learned of the death of ELEANOR DAVIS MCALLISER'S husband Leonard.

1938

Grace Walsh Kelley 62 Hillcrest Ave. Schenectady, NY 12304

Just a note to tell you that I have finished sending the annual fund drive material for class '38—a little late but done. I also have a name change request. I am no longer Mrs. Rooney!! On June 29, 1985 I married Walter G. Kelley.

Walter and I were teenagers together and went to the same high school. He had moved to California many years ago. I came back to Schenectady in 1973. He wrote the local historian regarding a 50th anniver-

sary of high school graduation. That letter got the committee going. Walt returned to the East coast on June 1 and the reunion bash was June 8. It was a tremendous success. I was his date—we were married June 29, 1985 in Utica, NY. We spent our honeymoon in Clear Creek in the mountains of Northern California where Walt has a home. The other news is I have finally retired leaving my position of Administrator of the Silver Haven Nursing Home. I am beginning to slow down but it's not easy!

1939

Jean Houghton Baker died on Wednesday, April 3rd in an automobile accident in Manchester, New Hampshire. She was alone in her car, on her way to keep a dental appointment, when she apparently suffered a heart attack. She leaves her husband, Dr. William Baker, two sons—Dr. Christopher, Chief of the Trauma Section at Yale-New Haven Hospital and Douglas, Manager of Food Services at Nashua Memorial Hospital and 3 grandchildren.

Jean had lived most of her married life in Laconia, New Hampshire where she and Bill were incorporators of the Lakes Regional General Hospital. Services were held at St. James Episcopal Church in Laconia. Her husband had recently retired and they were moving to Rye, New Hampshire. At the time of her death they were living in Pembroke, Mass.

We received copies of the political campaign of MARY LOGIUDICE BUCKLEY for Councilor-at-large in Brockton. She retired as a school nurse in 1981 and started a new career in politics.

In a letter from her daughter, Linda, we are told of a memorial fund for EVELYN WAFER FITCH. Contributions can be sent in care of:

Ann Wiggett, RN Caswell Heights Littleton, NH 03561

February 1949

Emily Nicoll 16 Mallard Rd. W. Acton, MA 01720

A little news from a few of our classmates—please send in any more news you may have for the spring edition.

Heard from BARBARA ROSER MANONI-had a busy summer, her two daughters visited from Texasone with a new son Matthew-there are 4 R.N.'s in Barb's family-quite a record. She and Larry went to Mexico this spring, had a great time. She also visited with BARBIE RICHARDSON McCANN when she visited her daughters in Texas this past May. Barbara is still working 2 days a week and enjoying the rest of the time playing tennis, bridge, and shopping -Larry's mother passed away in September so it is a difficult time for the family.

CLARA SKOWYER SELLON is still working 3 days a week at the Eye and Ear Infirmary—daughter Carol had a baby girl in June—Clara is busy with her other 4 grandchildren and very active in church.

SHIRLEY GORDON is building a home on the Cape, should be ready late winter. Her mother and Dick's mom are both in nursing homes now—so Shirley is busy with visiting. Dick is still at the Globe. She heard from BETTY BRIDGES—Betty plans a visit East in September '86, hopefully will get to Homecoming and plans to visit on the Cape.

Clara heard from PODIE HOP-KINS and all is well—hope she will be able to make it to our annual gettogether in the spring.

As for myself, am still doing school nursing in Concord and truly love it. We just built a home in S. Harwick—enjoy weekends there and the 10 weeks in the summer. If any MGH's are on the Cape please contact me or if any are on vacation during the summer—stop by!

September 1949 Ruth Stronach Henshaw S-49 8790 S.W. 96th Street Miami, Florida 33176

I had lunch with BARBARA STEVENS WRIGHT at Disney World Saturday, June 8, 1985. (Bob's Insurance Convention there.) Her Susan (age 27) is Librarian at Orlando Public Library—married May 1984. David (age 32)—Operations Co-ordinator at an Orlando radio station—divorced and has custody of his 7 year old son, Danny. Barbara keeps busy

doing volunteer work and baby sits Danny a lot. She also takes CE courses to keep her license.

I sent out 31 notices for the Annual Fund Drive and Home-coming 1985—Sept. 28, 1985. I asked each one to include a few lines to me or MGH, about their activities.

June 24, 1985—had a letter from RUTH STILLMAN FERNANDEZ. Ruth retired from the High School Science Dept. last June, and has just been enjoying her 4 grandchildren. She and her husband explored ruins at the Yucatan and had a great time in Tahiti and Australia. Ruth hopes to make our 40th.

June 26, 1985-a letter came from TRUDY WALSH HYNES. Trudy would also like to make our 40th reunion. She is part time R.N. in Internist Cardiology practice and really appreciates her MGH training. While settling the estate of Warren's sister in Ohio, they were able to take ANNA SPAHL time to visit HOFFMAN's family get-together and saw all except one boy. They even met Anna's first grandchild. It was a pleasant change from their task.

I called RUTH TILLSON LOWELL August 9th. Everyone educated and out on their own. Daughter Alison is an R.N. at Brigham and Women's. They have been going week-ends to their place in N.H.

Also, August 9th, I called MAR-GARET MANNING. Margaret and her sister Mary are enjoying retirement.

August 11, 1985, I spoke to IRENE WEISSLINGER SWAN. Her family is grown and she is busy working.

I keep up my CE credits at Baptist Hospital. But I think I've become a professional volunteer. I volunteer at the hospital and again this year volunteered at the Miss Universe Pageant. I was chaperone to Miss Denmark and Miss Puerto Rico. Miss Puerto Rico was chosen Miss Universe. Then I volunteered as a Tour Guide at the opening of the new Miami Dade Public Library downtown Miami. They have a large Geneology Room.

We go August 24th to Nova Scotia to see my Dad's sister and family.

In a letter from Ruth Stonach Henshaw in October she writes:

So glad to meet you at Homecoming. The weather was delightful—no Hurricane!

The other day I wrote to the 4 classmates that sent a note—and sent them a copy of my notes on Thelma Wells' talk on Aging. I will also send a copy to 4 others I spoke to on the phone.

Here is more Quarterly information waiting when I returned home. (We left for Nova Scotia Aug. 24, 1985)

August 24th letter from JANICE MILLER MARKS (Correct address: 9202 Valjean Ave.)—retired to be a housewife a few years ago after working with retarded adults, and is waiting for husband Norm to retire. Her daughter is married with 2 children, and she is going back to school for her Special Ed degree. Our oldest son is married with 2 children, and he is a Sargeant on the LAPD. Our youngest son is still home and going to school.

Sept. 9, 1985 letter from JACKIE AUGER BROWN—(She was the other classmate registered, but didn't make it due to Hurricane Gloria.) News of her family: Brownie and I have been married 35 years—we have 3 children—all married. The girls live nearby—our son lives in Salt Lake City, Utah. We have 3 grandchildren and another one due Sept. 12th.

I am working as a staff nurse for the Northampton Visiting Nurse Association and really enjoy visiting people in their homes and helping set up a plan of care which permits them to be at home.

Brownie hopes to retire in 2 years at which time we hope to move to Rye, N.H.—2 miles from the ocean. Our children and grandchildren will be able to enjoy the ocean when they visit, which will probably be often.

Homecoming was a most enjoyable day. I am so glad I was able to be there and visit with everyone.

September 1952

It would appear our class is nonexistent unless MARION DECKER MANES slips me into the class of '51. I think it's time to remedy that. If anyone has news, please send it to me. For now, you'll have to settle for the little I know.

After acquiring a degree in medical technology and devoting several years to hospital infection control, I reached a point where I could put RN, MT (ASCP)CIC after my name and was working on a Masters in health care administration. Then, about a year and a half after Stan's sudden

death, I quit, moved to the Cape, and changed my whole life style and goals. I regret none of my past professional career, but am truly happy in the work I do now. I'm a part-time office nurse for an excellent family practice physician, very involved as a Hospice volunteer, active in my church, and house-mother to an enormous number of young people who regularly appear in my kitchen, occupy all the beds and much of the floor, and cause the energy level within these walls to take a quantum leap. I am very grateful for the life I have found and have re-become a joyful person. My oldest, Mary, has followed in my footsteps and is a Navy nurse in California. Teresa lives in Boston, and the boys are here with me and the cast of thousands. They are all still single.

Recently, we had an MGH day at Presswoods. GLORIA GRANT OLSON and JEANNE ZEDREN SCOTT were visting and we met ELLEN NICKERSON STEINBOCK for lunch in Hyannis. NIKI returned to Falmouth, but Glowie and Zeedie came here. While we were involved in non-stop talk and laughter, JOYCE SAWTELL KENNEDY called from New Hampshire! Glowie is still a psyche nurse with the VA and Joyce continues as nurse practitioner at Exeter Academy. Zeedie is retired and devotes most of her time and energy to her beautiful, perfect granddaughter.

BARBARA DUNSING GATES arrived from California for our last Brockton High reunion. Glowie, Barb, and I went as a threesome and had a marvelous time. Barbara is with the Red Cross blood procurement program and lives in Cupertino, CA.

March 1959

Glowie lives in CT and has visited with SALLY SCHARRETT BOUSQUET, and with JOAN BALDWIN HARVEY and Henry. All are well. Niki recently spent a day with NANCY RAHILL MACDONOUGH who also lives in CA.

My nephew, Arthur, who was born during our senior year, has just completed the surgical residency program at MGH. I wonder if his future was predestined when I ran the 25¢ pool projecting his birthdate, height and weight? Recently, he called me just before he left for a party on the occasion of the closing of White 6! I was even more nostalgic than he. Speaking of White 6 and such, I recently met EILEEN WOLSLEY and MARIE EARICK while they were on vacation here on the Cape—how wonderful to see them again! As you may also see MARION assume, I DECKER MANES ('51) who was my roommate in our early graduate years and married the fellow in the apartment across the hall. Chuck, Deck and I do not get together as often as we should but have much fun when we do. Deck and I occasionally attend continuing ed courses together. She is a very successful real estate agent, but has not lost her interest in nursing.

When I am not involved in other activities, I wander along the beach, sit on the jetty, or much on a lobster. This is a wonderful place to live and not a bad spot to visit—would love to see you.

Mary Flannery Caira 19 Fuller Terrace West Newton, MA 02165

ALICE WRIGHT BURD: 7223 Kidmore Lane, Lanham, MD 20706. The Burds have had a healthy year. Steve is attending the local community college, majoring in Law Enforcement. He is also working for UPS. Miles continues with the Defense Dept. while Alice works at school 1 day a week. The Wrights are well, and living in the South.

GAIL KENT CLEMMER: 116 Kirkland Ave., West Chester, PA 19380. No news from Gail.

GENE SHAFFER CORCORAN: 6900 Fitzpatrick Drive, Laurel, MD 20810. The Corcorans have had a hectic year. John remains with the D.C. Navy Yard with a private company. Gene works about 20 weeks a year at the Laurel Race Track. Susan, Mike, and baby Christopher are fine now-Susan had an emergency appendectomy, and Christopher had Bacterial Meningitis with no residual damage in 1984. J. D. is installing NCR and Sensormatic Equipment. Danny is in the 10th grade, and is busy with Scouts.

Jeanne Cunningham Morello (1963) has resigned her position as chairperson of the Finance Committee. The Board sadly accepts her resignation and wishes her continued success. Catherine Harrington Boyd (1952) has accepted the position. NANCY BASSETT CAMPBELL: 218 Harvard Dr., Torrington, Conn. 06790. Nancy wrote last winter, and I've also had a chance to talk to her. She is doing well as a single parent, and as a night nurse. Andy is studying Math and Engineering at the Torrington Branch of the Univ. of Conn. Belinda is enjoying life after 2 years of college. Ellen will be a senior and Carrie will be a junior in high school.

MARILYN THAYER COTE: Rte. 782, Purcellville, VA 22132. No news from Mal.

ROSLYN RUGGIERO ELMS: 1212 Fordham Drive, Davis, CA 95616. I have no news from Roz, but Beth Grady at the MGH School of Health & Allied Professionals states that she is working for the State of California inspecting programs at Medical Schools.

ELAINE FINLEY FLANAGAN: 92 Old Field Rd., No. Chatham, MA 02650. No news from Elaine.

AMANDA McCRAE FUHRO: Box 77E, RD#1, Blairstown, NJ 07825. No news from Bunny.

JAMIN SCHOFIELD GUARINO: 287 High St., Hingham, MA 02043. No news from Jamin.

MAXINE CLARK HYBARGER: 335 Henderson Dr., San Jose, CA 95123. Ray's company, Fermentec, declared bankruptcy early in 1984 and he now has his own engineering consulting firm, with offices in their home. He is keeping house while Max finishes up her Bachelor's degree in Psychology

via the correspondence route. They celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary with a trip to the Holy Land, Greek Isles and Bavaria. They have 1200 plus pictures as a record and remembrance of the trip. Gail and Gerry both finished college.

BARBARA KING HEMINGWAY: 24 Alberta Rd., Brookline, MA 02167. No news from Barbara.

ELEANOR DYER HAMILTON: Queensland Rd., No. Billerica, MA 01862. No news from Ellie.

SUZANNE SEYMOUR KEOHANE: 1818 Ridgeway, Colorado Springs, CO 80906. No news from Sue.

RUTH FIFE MANN: Carter Hill Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224. Rebecca is studying Business Administration at the state Tech. School. She had oral surgery to correct an underbite, and is a new person. Doug is a contracting officer in the Air Force. Martha works as a secretary.

JUDITH PALMER MUGGIA: 14 Dartmouth St., Winchester, MA 01890. No news from Judie.

MARY JANNINO ROMEO: 4 Stephanie St., Burlington, MA 01940. No news from Mary.

MARY DUGGAN ROY: 11 Beech Rd., Weston, MA 02193. Mary and Norm also celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary. They traveled with Mrs. Duggan (age 83) to the Holy Land and Rome. Norm travels a great deal on company business. Mary Ellen, 24, returned to Babson to con-

tinue her education. Ann is at Boston College. Her husband, Tim, graduated from Northeastern, and both he and Ann work at Honeywell. Kathy, 21, has done extensive travelling in Europe and Australia, and will return to design school. Michelle, 16, who loves languages, spent a semester in Spain on an Exchange Program. Ellen, 14, finished her freshman year—she loves life and sports. Paul, 11, loves science and animals.

ROBERTA FITZGERALD SNYDER 20 Sutton Place South, New York, NY 10022. Bobbie's Mom died of cancer in late 1983. Dick travels extensively, as he is still in International, and is responsible for Asia-Australia and duty-free sales. Bobbie has joined him on trips to Australia and some Southeast Asian cities. She visited the Maryknoll house in Manila, and learned that Sister Bernadette (Mary Roy's sister) is in the isolated, primitive area of Mindinao working in Midwifery and Pediatrics. Bobbie had a joint replacement in her right thumb a year ago. She is involved with a Nurse Gerontology group, although not working at present. Dick is on the Board of the National M.S. Society, and is very encouraged by some hopeful research and presentations.

THE CAIRAS: We are all well. Michael graduated cum laude from Northeastern, and is still looking for the perfect job. Chris finished his Computer Technology Course just as massive layoffs occurred, so he is staying put as a truck driver for Mass. Hardware. Maria will enter her senior year of High School, I am matricu-

lated in a Master's program in Health Care Administration. At work, I am involved in staffing, Patient Classification System, Computer Project, and Supervising—the variety of jobs keeps me busy and not bored. Mike pitches in with cooking, etc., so that I can continue with a hectic schedule.

I look forward to hearing from you. As usual I'll compile the news for the group.

1962

From an article in the Westerly, RI paper, *The Sun,* we learned that BRENDA ISCHKAVITCH PUKAS, director of Wood River Health Services, was named one of the 59 New England "local heroes" by New England Monthly Magazine. She was honored for her planning and fund raising efforts resulting in a million dollar family health center in rural Rhode Island and a 59-unit apartment complex for the elderly.

1972

We received an address change from DONNA E. ZARNABI who is now at 2243 Autumn Valley Circle, Gambrills, MD 21054.

1973

Colleen Flanigan Walsh 1607 Dublin Rd. Charlottesville, VI 22903

Just a short note to let you know what's been happening. I married Dr. Rob Walsh in May, 1982 and moved

to Charlottesville where Rob is doing a surgical residency. We had our first child, Sean Robert, on June 5, 1985 and he is a dream baby! I am the senior clinician at the University of Virginia on the adult orthopaedic unit, and am president of the local chapter of the National Association of Orthopaedic nurses. I am presently working on my BSN and am very busy. Hi to all my fellow '73 grads!

1974

Carol Bergeron Hewson 8723 Timberbriar San Antonio, TX 78250

I am writing to tell you "recent" significant events in my life. 1 Aug. '83 adopted 6 day old Daniel James, Aug. '84 began MSN in Nursing Administration program at the Univer-

sity of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio (under Air Force Institute of Technology sponsorship), April '85 selected for promotion to rank of Major, USAF, 1 May '85 adopted 7 week old Sara Lynne, 15 Dec. '85 graduated from MSN program. After Christmas in New Hampshire we're moving to Travis Air Force Base, CA where my husband Jim and I are being reassigned.

I look forward to seeing news of other 1974 MGH graduates!

1985

HANNAH FELTON married John Lyons in Princeton, NJ. The couple will live at St. Andrews School in Middleton, DE where John is a member of the faculty.

IN MEMORIAM

1924	Hazel Walker Whitmarsh, at Pawtucket, Rhode Island.
1926	Edna Lepper on August 19, 1985, at Boston, Massachusetts.
1931	Irene Perrotti Scott on October 13, 1985, at Melrose, Massachusetts.
1933	Katherine Blunt Polsby on June 7, 1985, at Littleton, Colorado.
1934	Anna Kules Garrity on July 2, 1985, at Westfield, Massachusetts.
1936	Grace Washburn Kunkel on October 29, 1984, at Bridgeport, Connecticut.
1936	Lois Alexander Hopkins on November 6, 1985, at Marblehead, Massachusetts.
1939	Jean Houghton Baker on April 3, 1985, at Manchester, New Hampshire.
1944	Bernadette Anne Houvouras on October 11, 1985, at Winchester,

Massachusetts.

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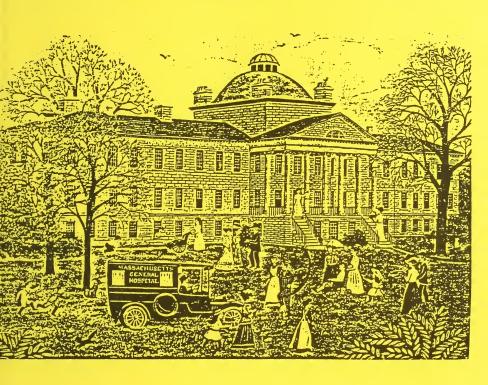
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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A LIVING WILL

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The issue of the Living Will has received much publicity over the past decade. With rapid advances in medical technology, the concepts of Sanctity of life and Quality of life develop and become enmeshed in emotional, ethical, and legal conflicts. Society speaks of disproportionate and proportionate means with regard to prolonging a person's existence. Competent patients and family members now possess the right to refuse and/or discontinue treatments which are deemed to be extraordinary; those procedures which neither cure, ameliorate the patient's condition, nor maintain comfort, but prolong biological existence (Paris, 1982).

The problem becomes more difficult when the patient is considered to be incompetent. In some cases, the family decides a person's fate. Very often, however, other interest groups become involved and bring the issue into the courts to appoint guardians who will then determine what that person would want, were he/she competent. The process can be agonizingly long and financially draining to involved parties. Paris, a theologian and ethicist, argues in favor of Rawls' theory of justice which asks that a person use the Veil of Ignorance in deciding a person's fate to assure fairness: The decision making procedure should not be unduly prolonged, inordinately distressful to the patient or patient's family, nor should it fail to protect the individual's right to decide to struggle for life or let death come peacefully (Paris, 1980).

The idea for the Living Will is an important component of the more global problem of Sanctity versus Quality of Life debate. Such legislation tries to address the individual's right described above. As much as it would be desirable to have the decision be privately made between the physician, the patient, and the patient's family, the complexity of today's society does not seen to allow for such a situation. There exist groups embracing the extreme values of Right to Life and Right to Death which seek to convince the public of their respective absolutist views. This results in the public exposure and

protraction of what should remain a very personal complicated time in a person's life.

The proposed legislation would allow a mentally and emotionally competent person of eighteen years or older to draft a legally binding document, signed by witnesses, which expresses the desire that his/her dying not be artificially prolonged. The document would be valid for ten years regardless of the individual's subsequent competence or lack thereof. In fact, should the person become incompetent, the document would retain its effectiveness until the individual could communicate his/her intentions.

The Living Will proposal has received legislative attention for over a decade. It has been met with varying degrees of acceptance. Massachusetts has dealt with this issue since 1973. At that time three such bills were proposed. Certain parties had approached legislators relating personal incidents which seemed to indicate the need for legislation. The House chairman assigned the bills to the Committee on the Judiciary. All three bills were rejected, as the chairman of this committee had the ultimate veto. Over the next few years, repeated efforts failed as well. The issue evoked a myriad of emotional, philosophical and religious reactions. In 1977 a large new group of representatives was elected, among them was Rep. Voke of Chelsea who has remained committed to the passage of this bill and has attempted to divorce the facts as well as the legal aspects of this proposal from the emotions. Through his and other's efforts, an investigation was ordered to compile relevant information into a House Report which was released in 1979. Through-out 1979, 1980, 1981, and 1982 the bills continued to receive adverse reports. During this time, lobbying groups came forth, The Massachusetts Council of Churches and the Society for the Right to Die advocated for passage of the bill and the Catholic Church and the Massachusetts Citizens for Life, Inc. advocated for continued rejection. In 1983, the bill passed. Paul Barrett, Rep. Voke's aide, commented that this was due to lobbying effort, education about the issue, and a change in protocol in the decision making process. The Chairman of the House Committee on the Judiciary no longer had the ultimate veto, rather, the committee voted. Various amendments to the bill were rejected and the act entered the engrossment period. During a late night session in the Senate, the bill was taken out of order and was remanded to the end of the list. As a result, time ran out and the bill was held. In 1984 the House Bill passed favorably

without debate and became the current House No. 2597.

As mentioned previously, the public and several interest groups have reacted strongly for and against this proposed legislation. They have vocalized numerous arguments and rationales to support their respective positions.

Proponents note that the Living Will would become effective only when an individual's condition has been diagnosed as terminal to the best of 2 physician's knowledge, one of whom would be the individual's attending physician. The Living Will legislation would not mandate all persons to declare their wishes in such a situation but would provide a legal option for those who wished to avoid a needlessly painful, expensive or involuntary prolongation of life. It would permit the mentally competent person, who made such a declaration, to maintain his/her right of choice should he/she become incompetent during the course of a terminal condition.

The removal of life-sustaining treatment would not include the discontinuance of comfort measures. The Living Will would be optional, temporary, renewable, and revocable. It would perhaps decrease the instance of endless court battles in which the patient's family would be made the plaintiff and previously competent, now incompetent patient the defendant to whom a guardian is appointed to serve his/her best interests. Such cases, despite the presence of precedents, occur yet and

produce unnecessary financial and emotional hardship.

Proponents also assert that the institution of Living Will legislation would result in significant cost savings in terms of families' contributions as well as medical insurance coverage programs. In 1977 a report to Joseph Califano, then the H.E.W. Secretary stated that over one-fifth of Medicare expenditures were used for persons in their last year of life. The report suggested that with the adoption of the Living Will, if one-quarter of these expenditures were avoided, the savings for Medicare would be over one billion dollars. Other programs would accrue similar savings (Thomas Bonarrigo, Research Staff for the House Committee on Judiciary).

Opponents argue that Living Wills would potentially decrease the physician's sense of responsibility and accountability. He/she might not seek every viable medical avenue to help a seriously ill or traumatized person because of the presence of the document. Furthermore, they feel that this legislation focuses on death rather than care, cure, and rehabilitation. They cite cases of comatose patients who miraculously recover, who may not have, had life-sustaining treatment been

discontinued.

Medicine despite its advanced technology, is an inexact science. Opponents contend that doctors can rarely determine with absolute conviction that a patient's condition is terminal. Medical breakthroughs and cures could not help the person who signed a Living Will and died, when life-supporting measures would have let him/her live to experience a recovery.

They feel that the decision to terminate medical treatment should remain a medical, not a legal judgement. Monetary savings and cost-benefit analyses pervert the issue and work to the detrement or potential discrimination of vulnerable populations such as the elderly and the mentally

incompetent.

Opponents assert that Living Will legislation does not give patients and physicians rights they do not already possess

through the Patients' Bill of Rights Legislation.

Families of incompetent patients who had declared a Living Will would lose their input into the decision making process. This might present additional burden and grief if the patient were unable to respond to a clarification of his/her circumstances.

Finally, opponents warn that such legislation could potentially lead to future legislation and social action which would condone passive and active euthanasia. They feel that the rights and lives of incompetent patients would be jeopardized should the values and ethics of utilitarianism and person's worth judged in terms of productivity prevail.

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ADELE L CORKUM

1912 - 1986

A MULTIFACETED

JEWEL

IN M.G.H.'S CROWN



Mary E. Macdonald Director, Department of Nursing 1968 - 1983

PROLOGUE:

We met under the domed roof of the Mosley Rotunda in the September of 1939 on the occasion of my entry as a preclinical student into the catacombic halls of the M.G.H. I vividly recall my first impression which, in the current vernacular, can be best described as "totally awesome"! Despite my above average stature, she loomed as a veritable giant of a woman - serious in mien, straight-backed, and clad in an absolutely wrinkle free, heavily starched, long-sleeved dress uniform as she, in true matron fashion, lined up a thoroughly confused and frightened group of so-called "probies" for the first of many marches on their respective cells in the student residence. En route, we learned from our sophomoric counter-parts that she was a HEAD NURSE - "one of the tough ones", "one who could make or break you" on the way to the promised land. Time proved they were right on both counts! Needless to say, I vowed then and there to keep a safe distance between us but fate eventually intervened with my clinical assignment to the East Surgical Service - White 7 to be exact - where this now legendary figure reigned as Head Nurse, cloaked in a mantle of omniscience and omnipotence which neither student of nursing nor house officer, I might add, dared to challenge. Little did I realize that this dreaded assignment was to mark the auspicious beginning of a relationship which spanned almost fifty years in time, during which we shared the roles of student vs. teacher; care-giver vs. supervisor; maverick upperclassman vs. counselor and on occasion, confessor; and ultimately professional peers and staunch friends. It is both an honor and privilege to share in this chronicle some of the highlights in the personal and professional life of our beloved "Corkie", whose innate preference to shun the limelight has deprived both friends and associates a full appreciation of her may talents and accomplishments.

AT THE STARTING LINE:

Miss Corkum was born in Tewksbury, Massachusetts November 7, 1912. In her youth she lived in Cambridge, where she completed her elementary and secondary education, graduating from the Cambridge High and Latin School in June 1930. During these formative years, her strength of character and obvious career potential captured the attention of a munificent benefactress who encouraged her exploration of the treasures of art, music and literature. By eighteen years of age, she had experienced firsthand the cultural wealth of Boston's libraries, museums, symphony, and theatre, as well as an initial exposure to Continental Europe.

She applied for admission to the M.G.H. School of Nursing with the entering class of February 1931. In a letter of reference to Miss Johnson, Martha Ruth Smith, at that time a member of the faculty of Teachers College, Columbia University and later the Director of the Boston University Nursing Education Program, described the applicant as having - "more purpose in life than the average girl of her age; a clear, cool and capable head; unusual consideration for and understanding of others, particularly the elderly." Miss Smith recommended her as a "satisfactory recruit for the nursing profession".

ON THE PROFESSIONAL CLIMB:

Miss Corkum enrolled as a first year student on February 10, 1931 and completed the nursing program three years later to the day. Student evaluations laud her industry, resourcefulness, dependability, punctuality and commitment. They also

note an innate shyness and quiet resolve to attain well-defined personal and professional goals - two traits which persisted throughout her life. At the time of graduation, Miss Johnson described her as a "very mature, well-groomed woman of barely twenty-one years of age, capable of carrying considerable responsibility, and holding the promise of being one of our most

satisfactory graduates". In April 1934, following a brief assignment in the Baker Memorial Division, she joined the ranks of the permanent staff as a "floor duty nurse" on a female surgical unit (Ward E). At the end of three months, she was promoted to Head Nurse, a position she held until March 1940, when she was reassigned in this same capacity to an East Surgical Service Unit in the newly opened George Robert White Building (White 7). It was during her eight year tenure as Head Nurse that she developed and demonstrated those leadersh8ip skills which commanded from that point on the respect of her superiors, colleagues, staff and students and which served as the keystone in her ascent in the administrative ladder. For many, myself included, the memories of her presence in these early days - externally stern and demanding of excellence but always kind and caring remain undimmed by time.

In October, 1942, after a brief term as Assistant Night Supervisor, she was appointed Supervisor of the Surgical Nursing Service and Instructor in Surgical Nursing. It should be noted that her association with the students of nursing stretched far beyond the classroom and clinical units. Throughout the years she gave unselfishly of her time and effort as faculty advisor, counselor, catalyst, and confessor - earning for her the affectionate title of "Mother Corkum".

In the late 1940's, a structural reorganization of the Nursing Service, necessitated in part by the opening of the Vincent Memorial Hospital, brought yet another administrative challenge. In May 1949, she was appointed Supervisor of the Vincent Memorial Nursing Service and Instructor of Gynecological Nursing. With the announcement of this assignment, Dr. Joe Vincent Meigs, then Chief of the Gynecology Service, wrote: "Nobody has been a more devoted person in Vincent then she has been ...nobody is more welcome to her position as permanent Supervisor ...I am delighted with this appointment ...I always wanted her". The stellar quality of the Gynecological Nursing Service, which persists to the present, is due in large part to her initial vision, commitment and effort.

The post war years, characterized by rapid medical and

technological advancements and hospital expansion, placed burgeoning demands on the Nursing Service which necessitated further intradepartmental reorganization. In 1953, with the creation of a building-oriented administrative structure, Miss Sleeper appointed Miss Corkum as head of the nursing service in the Baker Memorial Division with the title of Assistant Director. She continued in this role during the tenures of both Miss Lepper and myself, retiring in October 1978.

It is my considered opinion that few members of the M.G.H. family have been called upon to spread their talents and energies so broadly, and, in the end, to have left behind such an indelible imprint of self and excellence on whomever and

whatever they touched!

AT THE SUMMIT:

Miss Corkum's contributions were in no way limited to the job-related responsibilities reported above. The beneficiaries of her extramural dedication and effort are so extensive that mention herein must needs be limited to a selected few.

The M.G.H. School of Nursing Alumnae Association warrants a high place on this list. Throughout her career, she gave continuously of her wisdom, loyalty and support, serving as President, Treasurer, Board Member, as well as on a myriad of committees. As early as 1961 on the occassion on the 150th Annual Convocation of the M.G.H., the Alumnae selected Miss Corkum as one of the nine graduates to be cited for "distinguished leadership and significant contribution in the improvement of patient care through nursing".

Throughout her career, she was deeply involved in the activities of the professional nursing organizations, most particularly, the Massachusetts Nurses Association and the Massachusetts League for Nursing. In 1970, the Massachusetts Nurses Association honored her with a citation "for distinguished service".

This record would be incomplete without mention of her long-standing interest in the field of Practical Nursing Education and in the welfare of licensed practical nurses. She served for many years as a member of the Board of Directors of the Shepard-Gill School of Practical Nursing and continued in this capacity when, in 1970, the School became an integral part of the Hospital's nursing education effort.

Her proficiency as a fund-raiser was widely recognized her service as both Chairman and solicitor in the Hospital's Annual United Fund Campaigns and as a nursing representative on the Annual Fund Raising Committees of Boston University,

her alma mater, are cases in point.

Following her retirement in 1978, she maintained an active association with the M.G.H., the institution which had been her sole employer, her home away from home and her raison d'etre for 44 years. As a member of the Volunteer Service, she was a devoted participant in the operation of both the Flower and Gift Shops, where she served two afternoons each week until her sudden death on March 30, 1986.

Her contributions as a member of the congregation of THE OLD WEST CHURCH throughout the years have been eloquently eulogized by both clergy and fellow parishioners and thus have been duly recorded for posterity. It would appear more than coincidental that her final act of service was to her church she died suddenly while en route to the Easter Sunday Service carrying an offering of her widely acclaimed culinary creations for the post-service reception!

EPILOGUE:

In the foregoing paragraphs, I have attempted to trace the career route of our beloved alumna. I would now like to concentrate from my vantage point as a former student, colleague and friend on the warm, loving, caring, giving spirit that burned

beneath that sometimes gruff and forbidding facade.

My first glimpse of this inner quality came early on but it was only in retrospect that I appreciated its full strength. As a young Head Nurse, she stood out as an energetic catalyst in the search and push for excellence but, unlike many others, she never overlooked the human needs of those whose lives she touched in the ensuing process - be it a troubled patient or family, a frightened or rebellious student, an overbearing or discouraged house officer, a tired, angry or troublesome employee. Her modus operandi was to share the insights that were hers from experience in the hope of resolving conflicts and fostering personal and professional growth. The names of those indebted to her compassionate and giving spirit throughout the years are indeed legion!

Later, as a fellow alumna, I witnessed her continuing care and concern for the graduates of the School - both young and old. As an officer and board member, she could be counted on to propose and/or support whatever was in the best interest of their individual or collective good, even if, or rather, especially

if, it involved the expenditure of money! For many of us, the Annual Homecoming held the anticipation of a loving bear hug, a cryptic lacing down for our lack of continuous involvement in its affairs, followed by a less than gentle shove to our respective tables in the interest of getting the show on the road! Her unique style in distributing the corsages and attendance gifts of those occasions will be hard to duplicate!

Many of us will miss as well the faithfulness of her personal contact - a timely word of greeting, of congratulation, of compassion and support. An honor received, a loss or illness suffered, a special occassion were never overlooked by this

special friend and neighbor.

She played a signigicant role in my decision to return to the M.G.H. in 1967. On that occasion, she pledged her loyalty and support and, to my knowledge, never violated this trust. During those collegial years, I witnessed further expressions of her deeply compassionate nature - i.e. her indefatigable efforts to assist patients and families to cope with pain, suffering and loss; to help staff members deal in a positive manner with problems in the work place or at home; to share her knowledge of the particular and, sometimes peculiar ways; of the M.G.H. with younger and less experienced colleagues. In the privacy of my office on many occasions she pleaded the cause of the personally and professionally vulnerable - the flunking student, the battered wife, the distraught parent, the substance abuse victim, the about-to-be evicted family, the angry staff member, as cases in point. Is it any wonder then that her boundless inner drive to give of herself to others ultimately stilled that magnanimous heart?

On the occasion of the Centennial Celebration of the M.G.H. seventy-five years ago, Dr. Harvey Cushing stated: "If a hospital's personality is its chief asset, the thought should quicken the responsibility of everyone, be he trustee, or lowly servant, to modify this quality. He who is willing to do more than follow prescribed routine and who merges himself most with the active indoor life of the institution at even personal sacrifice to the attainment of this end, is certain to be the best and longest remembered".

The record of her personal and professional life attests that our beloved "Corkie" did indeed meet this challenge and hence, assures "the retiring of her number" to a conspicuous place on the roster of the M.G.H.'s revered!

CLASS NEWS

1918

ELEANOR HURD 15 Cressy St Beverly, MA

The year 1918 was a busy one, the "Flu" - the War - many shortages and in Oct. the State Board exams which were squeezed into one day because of the Epidemic.

Until 1969 I worked in Hospitals in MA and CT then retirement in Maine where I devoted my time to painting. Now I have a series of wild flowers done in opaque water color on tinted mat board. The flowers, from the woods surounding my cottage (East Harpswell) where I stay seven

The misfortune of a fractured hip in September of 1983 has slowed me down to use of a cane and receiving help with shopping and driving - but I manage.

months of the year.

1921

In a note from AGNES PATTEN we received word of ESTHER PARK FENNESSEY '20 who is in a Residence in Minneapolis doing well except for "stone-age skin" that is alergies to everything.

Agnes has just passed her 90th birthday and still tries to keep in touch with old friends and new.

1922

We received a note from Gwen Ball the daughter of JULIA MASON BODINGTON with news of her death in September, 1985.

1925

We received a note from Catherine Gordon concerning DORIS M. CAMPBELL: Doris had been in The Sherrill House at 135 South Huntington Ave, Boston for a little over a year now. She is up and around her room but canot live alone. She tires easily and finds it somewhat difficult to talk on phone especially with people with whose voice she is not familiar, if there someone from her class at the MGH it would please her to hear from them I believe - by letter.

Her attorney and a friend for many years watch over her and see that she has the proper care. She has been such a kind person to so many. It is difficult to see her limited.

In a note from MARGARET MURRAY ALLEN '27 we learned of the death MADELINE GILE BOWLER in MADELINE had living in the Health Care Center for 10 years and enjoyed recalling her days at the MGH and talking of those she knew at that time.

at Homecoming.

Word has been received from BARBARA VIVIAN PAYNE. who herself has been seriously ill, of the death of Paul Hellstrom, husband of EDITH OAKES HELLSTROM (Dee) in February of this year. Our hearts go out in sympathy to Dee and her family.

MARJORIE GOLDTHWAIT

RICHARDSON

1934

We sadly note the death of Corkie and include here the memorial from short her family:

ADELE L. CORKUM

Admirable Diligent

Extraordinary

Loyal

Énergetic

Loving

Caring

Outstanding Religious Kind

Understanding Motherly

1936

This is our 50th anniversary! Letters have gone out to all for whom we have addresses, and we hope to see everyone

1939

short note from In а ROSEMARY C. MACISAACS we learned of the death of her husband in November. 1985 and the fact that she joined her daughter Kathy and her family - 4711 Round Up Trail, Austin, TX 78745-1649.

1940

JOSEPHINE MANGIO KEAVENEY 76 Oakdale Ave Dedham, MA 02026

Four of us represented our the September at Homecoming. Coming from PHIL AYER Houston TX, VAN WAGNER and husband have three grown sons and four grandchildren.

Two sons live in Texas and one in Ohio. Phil invites anyone to drop in when in Texas. BETTE CALANDRIN ZOLNER from Beverly, MA shares four grown children and eight grandchildren with her husband. Her family keeps her very busy along with her church organizations.

MARY GILMORE HELMING and her husband have just returned to Chatham, MA from a trip to the West Coast and Canada. Mary has been doing some paintings in watercolors. We wish her great success.

Letters received from some classmates were shared.

ELINOR SALMON HUSS had hoped to be with us but she and her husband are moving at this time. She has four grown children and twelve grandchildren. Sammy retired about three years ago and doesn't know when she had the time to work.

KATY POWERS MUDGE is very busy with volunteering and other lesser occupations that keep her busy. She would be delighted to hear from anyone. JONNIE JOHNSON THOMPSON was unable to attend due to family illness. She is in the process of moving back to the local area from Florida. HOPE HARLOW MOODY writes from Bangor Maine with good wishes to everyone. She and CONNIE JARVIS BERTARD were

hoping to make the reunion but plans changed.

M A R Y R E A R D O N MCDONOUGH writes that she has retired to N. Carolina and hopes to come to a Homecoming in the near future.

The only change with the Keaveneys is that due to the closing of the Practical Nursing Program where I was teaching, I am now retired. To quote Sammy "I don't know when I had the time to work!"

I shall answer any letters that you send to me and pass the news along.

1941

HELEN WALSH DUQUETTE 44 Northgate Rd P.O.Box 712 Northboro, MA 01532

Husband Edward died 1972 - has been an Occupational Health Nurse for Raytheon past eighteen years - retired in 1985. Raised a family of three - two girls and a boy. In the fall of 85 raised \$1077 for the American Lung Association and bicycled 150 miles from Provincetown to Plymouth. This past fall, I had a nice visit in Bridgeport, CT with LUCY ZAGORIN who teaches at the university.

At Christmas of this year received a "Christmas Ribbons" book from my "little sister" RUTH BARTLETT WILLIAMS '42 who lives in W. Brookfield, MA This poetry book was written by one of our classmates, CYNTHIA HOLT CUMMINGS who lives in W. Bloomfield, MI and has one son.

If you have any news please write - in five more years we will be out fifty years and should get together - perhaps sooner! Hope to hear from you.

1951

JOAN VAILLANT PARENT 265 Wilson Street Marlboro, MA 01752

First of all, I wish to apologize to my fellow classmates for our lack of news in the Fall/Winter 85 Record.

DORIS STONE BERGERON sent a card at Christmas. She is looking forward to a get-togther at Homecoming September 27th, 1986.

Please remember this date --it is 35 years since we
Graduated!

JOAN MCCARTHY PETERSON contributed two very lengthy postcards - In August 85, she was awaiting grandchild #2 - daughter

Andrea and Ron finally had a baby son (Corey Ronald Biron) on December 20th 1985 at Concord N.H. Hospital. They enjoyed spending two weeks in NH and babysitting Briana who is 2 1/2 years. Christmas was super special for you all Joan! The particulars are -Baby Corey weighed in at 8 lbs. 4 oz. and 20 inches in length. I believe the family participated in the delivery which made it all the more meaningful. It sounds like Joan and Pete love Maine. Their new address is H.V. Peterson, Jr. RFD 1 Box 1815H, North Monmouth, ME 04265. Joan's daughter Paula is still with Nursing Service at Concord Hospital. She is a CNA (going to college for a degree in Human Services). we need more people interestd in such careers.

NATALIE QUIRK and Frank MEANY visited their son, Francis, who is in the Peace Corps in Ecuador. They did not visit their summer place in Meredith, NH in 85. They have a married son, Dan, living in Falmouth, MA.

VIOLA PERSECHINO and husband Joe (Cattafe), visited Natalie in Valley Forge, PA in 85. No other news from that visit.

MARION DECKER MANES wrote a note at Christmas. She had just had a visit from MARION KELLEHER EVANS

who is a nurse practitioner. MARION MANES has two grandchildren (4 1/2 and 2 1/2). Her daughter Betsy is married to the County Sheriff's son and is a nurse in the ICU at Cape Cod Hospital. Marion is very much into Real Estate. She has attended New England Patriot opening games and met many owners and officials of the Gren Bay Packers. You and Chuck enjoy the sports right Marion? By the way, Marion has stopped smoking as of November, 1984, and is looking forward to Homecoming 1986.

DORIS SEARS has also caught the Real Estate bug and is involved in property management. She also hopes to be up for the September

Homecoming

A card from MARY THISTLE CHEMINI. We will have more news to report after our Homecoming. Mary works in the Complaint Dept. for the Mass Department of Public Health in Boston. Mary and I have much in common as my specialty is Gerontology now and Mary deals with this daily also.

Husband Eugene and I are anxiously awaiting the birth of Grandchild #1 who is due May 11 (Mother's Day), unless baby arrives earlier. This should be an exciting event for us.

As I have mentioned many

times in this column this is our 35th year since that fateful year of Graduation! I'll send Post Card Reminders to as many as I have correct addresses. However I can't make you attend. Please remind and try to get the word to any that I have no address for and do not belong to the Alumnae. We should get together and reminisce!!!

1952

Sadly the class of '52 must report the death after a long battle with cancer of BEVERLY THOREN.

1955

MARTHA CODI RAAK 554 No. Main St Greensburg, PA 15601

MARY BRECKEN WAGNER and Dave have a second grandchild on the way. A daughter, Sue, works for American Airlines and a son, Dave, is a third year dental student at the U. of Illinois. Another son, John is a Sr. accounting major and Tracy is in secretarial school. The three youngest children are in various stages of college. Mary reports that Dave still

has his crew but that it is a "bit thinner." She still loves nights and works part time as a night supervisor at a community hospital.

Condolences are sent to CAROLE BEAUMONT SARTORI upon the death of her husband, Neal, who died in February. Carole says that the at-home presence of her daughter, Marsha, has been a helping God-send in adjust. Both her sons married and live nearby. Carole's parents are doing pretty well. (I have great memories of their summer bashes for our whole nursing class section).

A card featuring carved ducks was received from ESTHER SUIHKONEN BURNS. She and her husband carve ducks and show their crafts from their home in St. Michael's, MD.

JANET BURKE POTTER said she only stayed in Boston one day because of the pending hurricane but did wander around the General. She tells me that the hospital has been seen on the TV show "Spencer" several times.

AUDREY CHASE HULL and Bud are expecting their fourth grandchild. Audrey had an enforced vacation from industrial nursing this past year after she fractured both wrists while snowmobiling. Bud had kidney stones but is fine now.

ALINE FLYNN SULLIVAN is now a Harvard grad (French) and has lived for a few months at a time in Paris and recently motored through Brittany with husband, David. She is enrolled in a Masters program at Simmons and will be a full time student teacher at Cambridge High School soon! How's that for soon-to-be grandmother! Aline mentions, too, that she spent an enjoyable day with HARRIET BELTRANDI in October.

LORA GASPARRI ANDERZON and Dave had a son married this past year. JOAN WALMSLEY JAIKES mentioned that her husband spent some time as a patient at MGH this past year but is now doing well. Joan has worked for 10 years for the same pedodontist. Their son Eric is now practicing law. Pam will graduate from Wheelock College in May 1986.

Ray and I continue to enjoy our mid life freedom. love to travel and do whenever we have chance. This past year it was Spain for two weeks. We traveled mostly by train. It is a marvelous country rich in tradition and not as commercialized as many others. Our favorite cities were Salamanca, Seville and Segovia. Our oldest child,

Gretchen, age 26, is to be married in May. No one else is married nor do we have any grandchildren. My job as Director of Continuing Education and the Summer Session at Seton Hill College is demanding and challenging. I love the variety of tasks and skills needed - planning, marketing, counseling etc. I now have my MA in Adult Education. Would you like to join me on a study tour of Kenya in October?

1959

PAT REISS NEWNHAM 251 West Park Ave State College, PA 16803

ELLIE TREINAS PREVOSKI moved in July 85 to Lake Quinsigamond. Her oldest daughter was married in March 86, MARY FURBER RAYMOND also had a family wedding. Her daughter, Mary Beth, was married in October and is living in Denver, CO. Mary's husband, Al, had a heart attack in January 85 and coronary bypass surgery in April 85. He is back to work now. CAROL FRENCH PUBLICOVER has a new grandson born October 85. DIANE FLOYD BAKER'S youngest daughter will go to Trinity College in Hartford, .CT. Her middle girl is a

sophomore at Middlebury College. ELLA LADD HOSELTON had a lovely summer trip to Colorado for backpacking and river touring. The NEWNHAMS had a wonderful trip to China and Japan summer 85 and hope to visit South Africa and England this year. Our son is a sophomore at Penn State and Rosemary is in 10th grade. We are busy getting ready to move in May 86. Our new address will be 251 W Park Ave, State College, PA 16803. Write and tell me your news.

MARY FLANNERY CAIRA 19 Fuller Terrace West Newton, MA 02165

ALICE WRIGHT BURD, 7223 Kidmore Lane, Lanham, MD 20706. The Burds bought a 4 bedroom summer cottage at their church campground in Southern Penn. - only 1 1/4 hours drive from home. Miles attended Colgate Dardon Graduate School of Business Administration for six weeks last summer. Alice joined him for the last week of classes. Stephen continues with college - majoring in law enforcement. He works for UPS to help with the expenses of his new Toyota Celica. Alice, Mary Roy, and Gene got together in

November, when Mary was in Georgetown. Alice's Dad has responded well to treatment following a heart attack.

GAIL KENT CLEMMER, 116 Kirkland Ave, West Chester, PA 19380. Gail is very busy attending graduate school (majoring in Counseling Psychotherapy), working full-time, and caring for 2 homes, 2 children, and 3 cats. Ellen is a sophomore Millersville, and was her sorority's "Pledge of the Year." David is at the University of Texas in Austin. taking courses and working part-time. He has a double degree in Electrical Engineering and Computers from Rice University. Gail will spend the summer commuting to classes from Fenwick Island, Delaware.

GENE SHAFFER CORCORAN, 6900 Fitzpatrick Drive, Laurel, MD 20810, John continues as a civilian contractor as a Senior Systems Analyst at the Washington Navy Yard. Gene is working about 26 weeks annually at the Laurel Race Course, as well as volunteering hours with the Laurel Rescue Squard. Susan, Mike and Christopher live 60 miles away in Maryland, and plan to move closer to family. J.D. packed up and moved to California "to seek his fortune" he's residing and working near San Francisco. Danny is a Junior in High School. Gene enjoyed her visit with Mary Roy and Alice.

N A N C Y B A S S E T T CAMPBELL,218 Harvard Dr, Torrington, CT 06790

MARILYN THAYER COTE, Rte 782, Purcellville, VA 22132.

ROSLYN RUGGIERO ELMS, 1212 Fordham Drive, Davis, CA 95616. Received a card but no news from Roz

ELAINE FINLEY FLANAGAN, 92 Old Field Rd, No. Chatham, MA 02650, Jim and Elaine had a lovely trip thru Germany, Switzerland, Austria, to Venice. Elaine had a delightful visit with Roz last winter - just as the Elms were finishing a kitchen and master bedroom addition to their house.

AMANDA MCCRAE FUHRO, Box 77Em RD #1, Blairstown, NJ 07825

JAMIN SCHOFIELD GUARINO, 287 High St, Hingham, MA 02043

M A X I N E C L A R K HYBARGER, 335 Henderson Dr, San Jose, CA 95123, Ray had a hectic year. He had open heart surgery to replace his leaky aortic valve, and had serious complications. He was flown back to San Francisco with one quart of fluid around his heart. He is now getting back to normal, and is working as a consulting chemical engineer. Gail and Gerry have finished college, and

both were scheduled to leave the nest on February 1st. Maxcine is completing her studies for a BS in Psychology thru St Joseph's College in Maine. She spent 3 hectic weeks on campus last summer. B A R B A R A K I N G HEMINGWAY, 24 Alberta Rd, Brookline, MA 02167.

ELEANOR DYER HAMILTON, Queensland Rd, No, Billerica, MA 01862.

SUZANNE SEYMOUR KEOHANE, 1818 Ridgeway, Colorado Springs, CO 80906. RUTH FIFE MANN, Carter Hill Rd, Canterbury, NH 03224.

JUDITH PALMER MUGGIA, 14 Dartmouth St, Winchester, MA 01890, Judie's pictorial Christmas letter said so much. Judie easily won the town race for Selectman. She and Al traveled to Italy to visit the Muggia family, and to sightsee and ski. Young Al is doing fine in Medical School. Will is a successful broker with Kidder Peabody. Frank is finishing up as an English Major at Middlebury. Judie's Mom celebrated her 80th birthday.

MARY JANNINO ROMEO, 4 Stephanie St., Burlington, MA 01940.

MARY DUGGAN ROY, 11 Beach St, Weston, MA 02193, Norm and Mary traveled to Hawaii. Norm will slow down a bit, now that his term as Chairman of the Board of Financial Executives is finished. Mary Eileen is still at Babson. Ann graduated from B.C. Kathleen is in Australia, on her way to the Far East. She plans to visit Singapore, Hong Kong, China, Japan, India, etc. Mary had a wonderful time visiting with her in Sydney for 2 weeks they stayed in youth hostels, not unlike 4 North Grove! Michelle finished high school and plans to go to college in D.C. for languages. Ellen is a high school junior, and Paul is in the 7th grade.

ROBERTA FITZGERALD SNYDER, 20 Sutton Place South, N Y, NY 10022, JReceived a card but no news from Bobbie.

The CAIRAS, Mike is working as a salesman for Mass Gas and Electric. Michael is a manual claims specialist for Delta Dental, and sings with the Newton Concert Choir. Chris is managing the warehouse for Mass Hardware and is planning to buy the new dream car (Mercury Cougar). Maria graduated from high school with no definite plans for the future. Not unexpectedly, in the decentralization process, my position at Waltham Hospital was eliminated. Along with over 100 management and staff members, I was laid off. With all the changes and cutbacks in the health field, I've had difficulty getting

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back to work quickly. Needless to say, after 24 years at the hospital, I was angry and hurt by the ordeal. I am continuing with my Masters in Nursing. For the 1st time in years I'm almost caught up with the housework (and I still hate it). I've had some opportunities to travel -I spent a week in Florida with good friends, sometime in Maine with Mike, and 4 days in Washington as a school nurse for the 5th graders from Waltham. had time too, to do some needlework and reading.

P.S. At presstime I finally have found a job more in the

next issue!

I look forward to hearing from you.

1966

This is the 20th reunion year and I hope that all of you who live in the area and even those of you who don't will try to make it to Homecoming in September. If you can't make it send your news to the office.

1968

ANN PETERSON became Mrs. Nicholas Horrigan on October 20th.

News from PAMELA DOLE AUSTILL: Have been working private duty on one case thru Agape Agency for over a year now. May start studying for a BSN come fall and am curently taking theology courses. Play the banjo extensively and live in Framingham. Am interested in playing music with others. I think the seat belt law is horrible.

From MARY MCQUEESEY KILMARTIN: 4 Lamb Rd, East Greenwich, RI 02818, Hello -Can't believe next year is our tenth anniversary. We should all try to make Homecoming next Sept. Much has happened of course in 10 years. been back to school for my BSN twice. I just can't seem to finish - it seems most programs for nurses are a lot like reinventing the wheel. I've been working in ICU's the past 7 years. I even returned th MGH for a while. I'm now married to Paul and we have a beautiful 4 month old daughter. I've taken a break from working for the most wonderful career of all, motherhood. My old roommate from school, PAT TASCA MARSHALL had a baby boy just 22 hours before me.

Let's hear from some more IF YOUR CLASS HAS NO '76ersl

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LISA HAEGER wrote that she HOMECOMING AT THE just graduated from Medical HOWARD JOHNSON 57 school and will be a resident ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS in Internal Medicine at UCSD, REQUIRED. Her new address is: 7855 Avenida Navidad #224, San Diego, CA 92122

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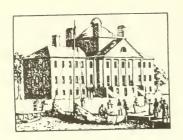
In October 1985 LT. KATE SURMAN completed three years active duty in the Navy Nurse Corps at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Portsmouth, VA, two of which were in the ICU. Kate is currently working in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia at the King Fahad Hospital, Saudi Arabian National Guard.

NEWS HERE IT IS PROBABLY BECAUSE NO ONE HAS TAKEN THE TIME TO WRITE - SO DO IT NOW! AND WE'LL SEE YOU ALL IN SEPTEMBER AT

> HOMECOMING '86 To be held SEPTEMBER 27TH a t HOWARD JOHNSONS'S '57 RESTAURANT **BOSTON**

MEMBERSHIP IS FALLING WE NEED YOUR HELP MAKE SURE ALL OF YOUR CLASSMATES ARE MEMBERS

The Alumnae Office has moved. Due to construction and multiple changes around MGH the office moved to the fifth floor of Bartlett Hall. This will probably only be a temporary move (but in MGH fashion you will probably find us there for many years to come!) If you are in the area on Tuesday or Thursday come in to visit. And don't forget to send the office any address changes and information. If you know of classmates of yours that are not members try to get them to join applications are available in the Alumnae Office or photocopy the one at the end of this ALUMNAE RECORD.



MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL

June 1, 1986

Dear MGH Alumni:

1986 is a special year for Massachusetts General Hospital. As you know, the hospital is celebrating its 175th Charter Year. Nursing, both education and service, have a proud tradition of excellence over those 175 years. The Steering Committee of the 175 Charter Year Celebration for Nursing is looking forward to seeing many of you on Friday, September 26 as we celebrate our history and look to the future.

The theme for the nursing celebration is "Nursing at M.G.H.: 175 Years of Caring". Because all of you had a place in the history of the M.G.H. we are asking for your help as we prepare the day. We would like you to help us capture some of the memories of those days "way back when" to be compiled and shared with colleagues. Here is an opportunity to recall those moments about school or practice that make up the richness of our nursing past.

Please take a moment to sit back, reminisce, and write down a few sentences or paragraphs about a significant event, change in practice or little-known fact or figure about nursing at the M.G.H. over the years. You may use the simple form on the back of this letter or other stationary if you wish. Be sure to include your name, class year, nursing unit or other information.

We look forward to hearing from many of you and meeting you on September 26!

Yours truly,

The Charter Year Celebration for Nursing Steering Committee

P.S. If you are interested in helping to plan this celebration, contact Linda Lass-Schumacher, M.G.H. Alumni President, for further details.



Celebrate Your Place in the History of Nursing at MGH - 175 Years of Caring

<u>September 26, 1986</u>

SCHEDULE

8:00am-7:00pm Nursing at MGH Exhibits Walcott Room

4:00pm Special Celebration Program Shriners Auditorium

5:00pm Celebration Reception Walcott Room

Plan Ahead to Attend

RUTH SLEEPER SCHOLARSHIP

The last Monday in November brought the annual reception for the Institute Nursing Students. This year the selection of a recipient for the Ruth Sleeper Scholarship given to a second year student who excels in the theory and practice of nursing was so difficult that two students were selected. ELLEN FAGAN and SUSAN SOMMER received the scholarships. After the presentation Ms Sleeper spoke of the Science of Nursing (the theory and skill at doing procedures) and the Art of Nursing (the feelings and understanding of people) and the way that the Institute Nursing program is developing nurses skilled in both. According to their faculty the two recipients definately do excel in both the Science and the Art of Nursing.

Ms Fagan is a graduate of Holy Cross College majoring in English Literature and has been a special needs teacher, a mental health worker, and a cataloguer of rare books. She plans

on entering the Gerontology specialty.

Ms Sommer graduated from the University of Massachusetts with a major in Spanish. She has experience as a bilingual family planning counselor in a Cambridge Clinic and will specialize in Women's Health.

These recipients and one of the previous ones spent time working with Ms Helen Sherwin to design questions and material to be used in an informal session with Ms Sleeper that was put onto Vidio tape in the Spring. The edited tape will hopefully be available by Homecoming for anyone interested.



ADELE CORKUM AWARD PRESENTED

On May 2, 1986 the Institute Nursing Program held the Generalist Completion Ceremony. The fifteen students who received certificates will now take their State Board Exams and begin the Specialist portion of the program. The evening was a joyous one for the students and their families and the Alumnae Association welcomed this newest class into the ranks of MGH Alumnae with the presentation of roses and membership in the association.

The evening program was also a most fitting way to honor a graduate who all had known and loved. The first Adele Corkum Award was given. This was a monetary award to the student who had most demonstrated those qualities that Corkie always had: Caring, compassion, empathy and the ability to always find the time to help anyone who needed help. The recipient of the Corkum Award was Elizabeth Ryder. Both the faculty and her fellow classmates agreed that she truely demonstrated all of these qualities and then some!

NOTE

To: Members planning class reunions

The Alumnae luncheon is a seperate function not connected with class celebrations. Those members of your class who are not active Alumnae Members will not receive the flier on the Homecoming program and luncheon. It is up to you to keep them informed and if they wish to join you at the luncheon they must register in advance.

IN MEMORIAM

1915	OLGA OLSEN ROBINSON, on April 4, 1986, at Wellesley,
	Massachusetts.
1918	CORA KAMPF VAN STONE, on July 14, 1985.
1922	JULIE MASON BODINGTON, on September 26, 1985, at Fall River,
	Massachusetts.
1923	H. LINA THIBAULT DUFAULT, Date unknown, at Worcester,
	Massachusetts.
1923	RUBY F. CAMERON, on November 18, 1985, at Cherryfield,
	Maine.
1924	HELEN CURLEY LA VEY, on March 1, 1986, at Brookline,
	Massachusetts.
1925	RUTH SINCLAIR SPARKS, on April 1, 1986.
1926	EVELYN H. SCHOEN, on January 19, 1986, at Honolulu, Hawaii.
1926	MADELAINE GILE BOWLER, on May 4, 1986, at Hanover, New
	Hampshire.
1929	VIENO T. JOHNSON, on April 12, 1986, at Syracuse, New York.
1932	VELLAMO ALHO OJALEHTO, on May 8, 1986.
1934	MARGARET O'NEIL MCGRATH, on December 2, 1985, at South
	Weymouth, Massachusetts.
1934	ADELE L. CORKUM, on April 3, 1986, at Boston, Massachusetts.
1936	LOIS ALEXANDER HOPKINS, on November 6, 1985.
1945	CAROLYN NALLEY GUERTIN, on December 31, 1985, at Worcester
	Massachusetts.
1946	ANNA LAWRENCE HANDY, on January 3, 1986, at Boston,
	Massachusetts.
1947	BETSY BELL VAN VOORKIS, Date unknown, at Columbus, Ohio.
1952	BEVERLY THOREN, on May 24, 1986, at New Britain,
	Connecticut.
1963	ANN ARTER BARCIAY on May 14 1986 at Brookline.

Massachusetts.

Send check for \$15.00 payable to: MGH Institute of Health Professions c/o Miss Natalie Petzold, Ruth Sleeper Hall, Parkman Street, Boston, MA 02114 Cash purchases available at Miss Petzold's office.

DO YOU OWN A COPY?

If not, you are really missing a fascinating experience.

A CENTENNIAL REVIEW 1873 - 1973

The Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing by Sylvia Perkins

Transcripts and copies of THE CENTENNIAL REVIEW are available through the office of Ms. Natalie Petzold which has moved to: Ruth Sleeper Hall, 40 Parkman Street, Boston, MA 02114.

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NURSING AT M.G.H.: 175 YEARS OF CARING

"I Remember When...."

Do you remember a significant event, change in practice, little known fact or certain figure about nursing education or practice at M.G.H.?

If so, please share it with us! It will be included along with other responses to be shared at the Charter Day Celebration for Nurses.

Thanks!

Please return as soon as possible and we hope to see you at the Charter Day Program on Friday, September 26th!

Send to: Judith Spross

Staff Education and Nursing Studies

Mass General Hospital

Fruit Street

WE NEED YOUR HELP - PASS THIS ON TO AN MGH'ER WHO DOES

NOT BELONG - LET'S INCREASE OUR NUMBERS - IT'S UP TO YOU!

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Remember to send us your news!

Season's Greetings



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Memo to contributors: Material should be sent not later than April 1st, for the

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MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

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ANNUAL REPORTS

ALUMNAE PRESIDENT

This has been a busy year with both happy and sad events. It was a pleasure to have a great deal of contact with the Institute Nursing Program through the Tea and presentation of the Ruth Sleeper Scholarships, the Pinning Ceremony for 2nd year students, and Graduation in June. For the first time we awarded an Adele Corkum Award to a 2nd year student at Pinning - this was a happy/sad event for it honored a very special lady but was a very poignant reminder of our loss. All of us on the Board will miss Corky dearly.

This year finally brought our office into the era of technology with the addition of a computer system to handle our mailing labels and membership lists as well as make all the secretarial chores

a bit easier.

And as a very fitting end to my tenure as president I was able to work with the Educational Collaborative in putting together the Nursing 175 program that was a great success.

My thanks to all of the members of the Board and very special thanks to Lee and all of the office staff who have made my job so much easier. It has been a pleasure serving the organization.

Linda Lass-Schuhmacher President

ANNUAL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

September 27, 1986

 The meeting was called to order at 9:20 a.m. by Linda Lass-Schuhmacher, President. The minutes of the September 28, 1985 Business Meeting were read and accepted.

The reports were given by the President, other officers

and alumnae secretary.

4. It was announced that the Alumnae Association has purchased a computer which has greatly facilitated the office business.

- 5. A Video Tape of Ruth Sleeper conversing with the recipients of the Ruth Sleeper Scholarships awarded to Nursing Students in the MGH Institute of Health Professions has been completed and will be available soon.
- 6. A Memorial Service was held at MGH for Adele Corkum andthe first Adele Corkum Award was given to a student in the IHP Nursing Program in her memory.
- 7. Concern was expressed regarding the low Alumnae Association membership of Graduates from the classes 1971-1981. This year the Alumae Board will discuss an attempt to resolve this issue.
- 8. The election results were reported:

President Elect Dorothy Mahoney '52

Secretary Joanne Hughes Empoliti '78

> Board of Directors Elizabeth Lada '80 Rita Barry '75

Nominating Committee Lucy Tanenbaum '80 Barbara Dunderdale '63

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dorothy Mahoney Recording Secretary

ALUMNAE SECRETARY

Our present paid membership is 1,058 plus 96 complimentary members. We have been notified of 37 deaths. 81 members failed to renew membership after second notices were mailed. One bright note is we have 43 new members and we are encouraged by the increased requests for membership applications and hope the trend continues.

Due to the splendid efforts of our class representatives todate our 1986 Fund Drive has netted the largest amount ever, \$12,436 with 530 donors. Congratulations! In a future issue of the Alumnae Record we plan to publish a list of alumnae whose addresses are unknown to us. Please notify us if you have their current addresses.

Our volunteers, Miriam Huggard and Marjorie Goldthwaite Richardson continue to devote much time to the alumnae. Many thanks to them, Evelyn Lyons Lawlor who faithfully addresses all the Christmas Cards, my co-worker Alma Cady Robbins, all members of the Board, and Linda Lass-Schuhmacher with whom I have had the pleasure to work the last two years.

Respectfully submitted, Eligia M. Drago, Secretary

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

On Saturday, September 28, 1985, at the Howard Johnson "57", Thelma Wells, RN, PhD, FAAN, spoke on "Growing Old: Facts and Fictions."

Respectfully submitted Mary Caira, Chairperson

ALUMNAE RECORD

Two issues of the Record were distributed this past year. It has been a year of change - with a new editor and a new look, including a new name!

Remember we need your news - this is your magazine.

Linda Lass-Schuhmacher Chairperson/Editor

RUTH SLEEPER SCHOLARSHIP

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Respectfully submitted Ann M. Cahill, Chairperson

ANNABELLA McCRAE LOAN FUND

Seven applications were received over the past year. Three \$1500 loans were granted and one was deferred until 1987.

Carolyn Thayer chairperson

SALLY JOHNSON/FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIPS

During this year 4 \$1250.00 scholarships were granted.
Marlene Norton, chairperson

TREASURER'S REPORT OCTOBER 1, 1986

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Disbursements:	\$4500.00	Jenson Hawes	Certificate
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HOMECOMING 1986

Homecoming this year was a bit different because for many it turned into a two day event. Many were able to attend the Nursing 175 Program at the Hospital on Friday. The exhibits, speaker, and reception were enjoyed by all who attended. On Saturday we had one of the largest groups for a Homecoming in many years and hopefully this will be a trend for the future.

The Association honored the reunion classes and some special people at the luncheon with small gifts:

Class of 1929 - MGH scarves

Class of 1936 - MGH pens

Class of 1946 - carnation corsages

Class of 1961 - MGH stationary

Class of 1976 - carnation corsages

Constance Holleran, class of 1956 received an MGH pen for having traveled the greatest distance to attend (from Geneva, Switzerland). Miss Sleeper, class of 1922 and Madeleine Spittal Lusk, class of 1924 as our oldest alumnae in attendance were given MGH mug flower arrangements.

Our thanks to all who attended and made the day a success and special thanks to all of the classes who gave class gifts to the organization. We all hope to see everyone again next year and hope the year is a happy and healthy one.

INTRA-OPERATIVE RADIATION THERAPY

William U. Shipley M.D. Associate Professor Radiation Therapy, Harvard University Associate Director MGH Cancer Center

The Massachusetts General Hospital was the second institution in the United States to begin using intraoperative radiation therapy (IORT), with treatments beginning in 1978. Throughout this time there has been a standard philosophy of using IORT as a boost radiation dose to be supplemented in all cases by high dose external beam radiation therapy and, in situations where it is feasible, by surgical resection. In no situations did we think it advisable to use intraoperative radiation therapy as the primary treatment modality. There are inherent radiobiological limitations in the use of IORT in the fact that there is no opportunity to reoxygenate hypoxic cells between radiation fractions, and because there will be a substantial number of cells that are in a relatively resistant phase of the cell cycle when single dose radiation is employed. In addition, the major advantage of IORT is to avoid giving radiation doses that are beyond those tolerated by the normal tissues. As most normal tissues, such as small bowel, colon and stomach, will tolerate doses in the range of 4500 gCy, it seemed advisable to take full advantage of the reoxygenation of cells, and redistribution of cells in the cell cycle that can be obtained with external beam fractioned radiation, as well as the wide field coverage best accomplished by this modality.

At the MGH we have had to transport patients from the operating room to the radiation therapy department for delivery of IORT. Because of this logistic limitation we have been limited of using IORT on one patient per week. Because of this, we have made a conscious effort to treat only a few defined anatomic sites so that worthwhile information could be obtained rater than having a smattering of cases available at a wide variety of sites.

Technique

At the MGH we have used intraoperative radiation therapy solely with high energy electrons. We have used the electrons from a Varian Clinac 35 linear accelerator for all treatments. There has been a thorough physics evaluation and workup of the Clinac 35 which has been described by Biggs, et al. The modifications have included the addition of a special collimation system on the head of the linear accelerator to try to maximize the quality of the electron dose distribution.

We have available a large family of lucite applicators. These include circular applicators with internal diameters ranging from 4 to 9 cm. We have also found it helpful to have beveled edges available on a number of applicators with the most useful bevels those of 15 and 30 degrees. These have been necessary to obtain a good approximation of the end of the treatment cone on the tumor volume. We have also used elliptical applicators of various sizes and found them to be quite helpful. Although rectangular applicators are also available, we have found these less useful as it can be difficult to place a large rectangle (with squared off corners) inside an abdominal incision. As is true for many other institutions, we have used a sliding applicator system, so that the lucite applicator extends into an aluminum tube attached to the accelerator head. In our system there is a hole in the side of the applicator into which instruments can be inserted. This hole does not effect the electron dosimetry significantly, and allows one to insert suction devices or lights sources and to manipulate the area inside the cone. It is also useful for insertion of a side-mounted periscope through which the entire field can be visualized after the treatment cone is in final

position.

We have found it essential for a thorough physics evaluation of the IORT equipment to be made. The physics evaluation has included a determination of the cone ratio (given dose per monitor unit) for each applicator and for each electron energy. Measurements have also been made of the surface dose so that there is no underdosing of the most superficial tissues. For energies greater than 9 MeV, the surface dose is not a problem, since the tumor doses are quoted at the 90% isodose line, and the surface dse at higher energies is generally 90% or greater. We have also made determinations of the dose fall off in depth, and full beam profiles and isodose curves have been documented. One must be aware that the effective field width (distance between 90% isodose lines across the field) is less than the actual cone size, and this is taken into consideration in prescribing the radiation dose, in addition to the flatness and the symmetry of the beam at various depths and energies.

The general technique for tumors such as locally advanced rectal carcinoma has been to deliver high dose preoperative radiation therapy to approximately 5,000 cGy, which is completed approximately 4 weeks prior to the surgery. The patient is then taken to the operating room with the intent of doing a surgical resection whenever feasible. For most tumors (but not including pancreatic adenocarcinomas) we have encouraged the surgeons to perform a resection, even if it is thought that there will be cut through ofthe tumor with some gross residual disease. This is done because we believe the likelihood of local control with radiation therapy will be maximized if the bulk of the tumor is resected. As patients have received high dose preoperative radiation, the risk of tumor seeding from the surgical procedure should be small. Patients with pancreatic carcinoma have generally had low dose preoperative radiation therapy. We have not thought it feasible to combine high dose external beam radiation therapy plus

pancreaticoduodenectomy with intraoperative radiation therapy.

After the completion of the resection but before anastomoses are performed the patient is valuated for IORT. Areas of known gross or microscopic residual disease or areas at very high risk for microscopic residual are determined both from adherence noted during the surgical resection and by review of the pathological specimen. Often frozen section evaluation is taken from circumferential margins or other areas that are thought to be at high risk for residual tumor. For rectal carcinoma these are typically located on the sacrum or on the pelvic sidewall. The surgeon and the radiation therapist then define the exact applicator size and the approach that is most appropriate. For most abdominal tumors a direct anterior abdominal approach is used. However, after an abdominal-perineal resection, a perineal approach is at times most appropriate to irradiate a distally located tumor. When selecting the appropriate applicator we pay careful attention to be sure that normal structures not at risk for tumor involvement are excluded from the radiation field. For pelvic tumors the normal tissues of greatest concern are ureters and small bowel, which has a tendency to move down to the radiation field. One must also take care to be sure that the rectum is adequately removed from the field (after low anterior resection) and that bladder irradiation is minimized (for anterior located tumors). For tumors in the upper abdomen, one must consider the sensitivity of small bowel, stomach, kidney, ureters and spinal cord. Previous radiobiologic studies have shown that ureters and bile ducts are relatively sensitive to high single doses, and these structures may need to be mobilized to avoid radiation. If it is thought that an ureter is involved with tumor, we then irradiate the ureter with the understanding that late fibrosis or stricture will likely occur. Occasionally, strips of lead are cut and inserted into the radiation field to protect normal tissues which are not easily moved out of the field. A determination is made of the depth of the tissue at risk for gross or microscopic tumor residual so that the appropriate

electron energy can be chosen.

The patient is then prepared for transportation to the radiation therapy department. After hemostasis has been obtained, the abdomen is closed with stay sutures and is covered with plastic adhesive sterile drape. Additional sterile drapes are placed over the patient, and he is then transferred to a Surgi-Lift stretcher and switched to portable anaesthesia equipment. radiation therapy department room has been previously prepared so that it can act effectively as an operating room. Full surgical supplies are made available and portable operating room lights are supplied. The patient is transferred to the radiation therapy treatment couch, and returned to standard anaesthesia equipment. The patient is then redraped and the wound is reexposed. The previously selected applicator is placed over the treatment area. As mentioned earlier, often times a suction catheter is placed at the base of the wound to avoid any accumulation of blood that would decrease electron penetration during irradiation. After the treatment applicator is attached to the machine the radiation is delivered over approximately 3 to 5 minutes. We think it is important that the IORT field be observed both immediately prior and immediately after the treatment is delivered. Even though it is unlikely that one would be able to correct an error in the IORT delivery after the fact, it is important to know if any errors have occured. If only wound closure is required, the surgery is usually completed in the radiation therapy department. However, if more extensive surgery, such as anastomoses, are required, the patient is transferred back to the operating room for completion of the procedure.

Results

The largest group of patients are those with locally advanced adenocarcinomas of the rectum and the pancreas. The rectal tumors are those which are thought to be unresectable with curative intent because of adherence or fixation of tumor to sacrum, pelvis sidewall, or to anterior-located structures. There have been a number of previous studies evaluating the use of high dose preoperative radiation therapy to a dose of 4,500 to 5,000 cGy, followed by surgical resection. In data from the MGH, Tufts, and the University of Oregon, it has been shown that 50% to 75% of patients are able to have a potentially curative resection after the high dose preoperative radiation therapy, but the local failure rate has remained 35% to 45% despite the preoperative treatment. In addition, data from the MGH have shown that in patients who have a surgical resection with residual disease, that local failure occurs in approximately 40% of patients despite the delivery of high dose post-operative radiation. Rectal carcinoma was also thought to be an excellent model for the use of IORT because it has a propensity to remain localized and is a disease in which a substantial cohort of patients have local failure alone.

The protocol which has been used at the MGH has been to treat these patients preoperatively with a dose of 5,040 cGy delivered in 28 fractions through a four-field box technique. With this approach we hope to decrease the tumor bulk and to allow a potentially curative resection to be performed. The preoperative radiation therapy is also intended to sterilize areas of microscopic extension of disease in regions where there may be no clinical fixation and to have treatment of regional nodal disease which will not be resected. The patients have approximately four weeks rest after the completion of the external beam therapy, at which time either a low anterior resection or an abdominal perineal resection is performed, depending on the

level of the tumor. At the time of the resection the tumor is carefully evaluated for areas at high risk for residual disease, either gross residual or positive or close surgical margins. In patients in whom there has been found to be no areas thought to be at especially high risk, no IORT has been delivered. In the other patients we have delivered IORT doses in the range of 1,000 to 2,000 cGy, generally using 1,500 cGy for microscopic residual

and 2,000 cGy for gross residual.

An analysis has been performed as of April, 1986. Thiry-one patients had primary locally advanced disease, and 22 patients had local recurrences after previous surgical resection, with their reccurrence being locally unresectable. We have analyzed our results both in terms of whether the tumor was primary or recurrent at presentation and the extent of the surgical resection which was performed. Of the 31 patients with primary locally advanced disease, 18 patients had a grossly complete surgical resections, with only one patient having local recurrence, and 12 patients have had partial surgical resection with only 2 having local recurrence. Of the 22 patients with locally recurrent/locally advanced disease, 9 had complete surgical resections with 2 local recurrences, 8 patients had partial resection with 6 local recurrences, and 5 patients have had unresected disease, of whom 4 have had local recurrence. Thus, the failure has been substantially higher with the locally recurrent disease, partially related to the amount of surgical resection which can be performed. Overall, patients with primary locally advanced disease had a median survival of 49 months compared to a median survival of 31 months in the patients with locally advanced/locally recurrent tumors. In comparing the results to our previous series with high dose preoperative radiation therapy alone at the MGH, there is a distinct advantage in terms of local control and in terms of survival for the patients with primary tumors.

We have thought it very important when evaluating a treatment regimen such as IORT that we evaluate the complications very carefully. For this additional therapeutic regimen to be worthwhile, the increase in local control should be accomplished without a substantial complications. We have done a careful evaluation of the complication rate after IORT in the rectal carcinoma patients and have compared this to patients who have been treated with high dose preoperative radiation therapy alone for locally advanced disease, and a second group of patients treated with surgery alone at the MGH for non locally advanced disease. These results have shown no increase in the complication rates in the patients with primary locally advanced disease with the addition of IORT. There is a modest increase in the complication rate with high dose preoperative radiation therapy, surgical resection and IORT compared to surgery alone for patients with non locally advanced tumors. However, in the locally advanced patients, the surgical procedure is much more difficult because of the locally advanced nature of the tumor (regardless of the use of radiation) and is at least a partial contributor to the complication rate. In the patients with locally recurrent disease we have seen a substantially higher complication rate. This has included a syndrome of pelvic pain in three patients; in one this has persisted. The exact etiology of the pain syndrome is not clear, but it seems likely that it is related to fibrosis and secondary nerve entrapment. There has also been greater difficulty with soft tissue healing after combined external beam, IORT and resection in the patients with locally recurrent disease.

Pancreas

Most of the institutions using IORT in the United Staes and Japan have had a significant experience in the treatment of adenocarcinoma of the pancreas. Many of the initial studies used intraoperative radiation therapy

alone and did not combine it with either external beam radiation or surgical resection. As discussed earlier, we feel strongly that IORT be used as a boost modality. Although early in our series we used IORT in combination with a Whipple resection (pancreatic duodenectomy), the morbidity from this combination was high and we have discontinued this approach. Thus, all but four of our patients have had radiation therapy alone without concomitant surgical resection. The patients whose tumors were thought to be amenable to surgical resection have been treated with Whipple resection, generally folowed by high dose external beam radiation therapy, but without IORT.

The exact treatment protocol at the MGH has evolved since the initiation of our studies. All patients have a standard pre-surgical evaluation which includes abdominal CT scan. Most patients also have angiography to assess their tumor for resectability and recently have had

laparoscopy to screen for the presence of metastatic disease.

Approximately 40% of patients without any evidence of metastases during the rest of the workup are shown to have liver metastases or peritoneal seeing at laparoscopy. At present, patients receive 1,000 cGy in five fractions preoperatively through anterior and posterior portals. There is then immediate surgical exploration and definition of the tumor extent. As mentioned earlier, if surgical resection is performed no IORT is delivered. We are not using IORT for patients with evidence of metastatic disease. Although the initial IORT dose was 1,500 cGy, at present a dose of 2,000 cGy is given to the tumor mass with high energy electrons. patients have both gastric and biliary by-pass performed. Post-operatively the patients receive 3960 cGy delivered in 22 fractions through a four-fiel approach to cover the primary pancreatic tumor mass and the regional lymphatics. No attempt has been made to cover formally the tail of the pancreas for lesions of the pancreatic head, although there is some risk of tumor in the distal pancreas and in distal pancreatic and splenic hilar lymph nodes. The external beam radiation is given in conjunction with 3 days of 5-fluorouracil chemotherapy.

of April 1986, a total of 66 patients have been treated with a median survival of 13.5 months. We have observed good pain palliation and in a previous analysis it was shown that approximately 50% of patients have had complete sustained relief of pain from the use of IORT and external beam radiation. The 13.5 month median survival is superior to the results that have been reported with other local treatment regimens without IORT. have also performed a study to evaluate the utility of misonidazole, a hpoxic cell radiosensitizer in conjunction with the IORT. The treatment is exactly as described earlier, except that in addition to the IORT patients received 3.5 gm/M2 of misonidazole intravenously approximately 30 minutes prior to the radiation. In an analysis of 41 patients who have been treated with misonidazole, compared to an earlier group of patients treated without the sensitizer, we have not seen any substantial difference in terms of either local control or long term survival. At present the sensitizer is not being

used at the MGH.

Local failure has remained a substantial problem in this group of patients despite the high dose of radiation. Of 62 patients treated without surgical resection, 25 patients have had local failure. Distant metastases were seen in 38 patients. Seventeen of the 62 patients had no evidence of disease at the time of last analysis.

Although this approach seems to improve the median survival and produces good palliation, it is clear that the long term curability will be low.

Despite the fact that we have emphasized locally advanced rectal and pancreatic carcinoma we have treated a few patients with other tumors. As

of the April 1986 analysis, there have been 13 patients who have been treated at gastro-intestinal sites other than the rectum, for reasons of local tumor adherence or fixation. Seven patients have been treated for carcinoma of the cervix. In addition, 20 patients have been treated for soft tissue sarcomas, the majority of these being sarcomas of the retroperitoneum. A more detailed discussion of the retroperitoneal tumors is in the chapter on sarcomas.

Summary

To date we have treated approximately 175 patients with IORT at the MGH. We have been consistent in our use of IORT as a boost, always combining it with high dose external beam radiation therapy and where appropriate, combined with surgical resection. We have been very encouraged with the results in locally advanced primary rectal carcinomas and believe there has been a decrease in the local failure rate and an improvement in long term survival. We think we have benefited patients with locally advanced non-metastatic adenocarcinoma of the pancreas, but the long-term survival and long-term local control have not been as good as we would have hoped. We plan to proceed with investigation of additional sites in the future, including carcinoma of the bladder and para-aortic lymph nodes for carcinoma of the cervix, continuing with basic philosophy described above.



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THE ROLE OF THE NURSE IN RADIATION THERAPY

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It is my pleasure as an alumna to address you and to give an account of

how I applied the principles that I was taught in our nursing school.

When I was a freshman student, one of my clinical orientations was on Baker 10. I remember a schoolteacher who, with her husband, had just retired and planned to do all the things they did not have time for during their working years. They were unable to realize their plans - she was dianosed as having cancer and was receiving radiation treatment. I knew she left the floor during the day for her treatment and, when she came back, she looked worn out, was terribly nauseated and vomited, it seemed, for hours. She had lost most of her hair during the course of treatments. Her husband sat dejectedly in the room watching helplessly and the nurses did not appear to have any help to offer.

In retrospect, my ignorance of cancer, radiation treatment and its side effects and the patient support systems were indicative of the primitive

state of the treatment of cancer.

The recognition of cancer as a serious problem; the emergence and recognition of radiation therapy as a treatment modality and the

development of the nurse's role in this specialty are closely related.

In the 1960s Mis were the concern of the medical community and of society. Cancer was a diagnosis that carried a death sentence. Surgery was the treatment of choice - as I call to mind mastectomies, colostomies and total pelvic exenterations. Surgically inoperable cases and people with metastases were referred for radiation treatments. Although radiation therapy had been in use since the turn of the century, because of the primitive state of discipline i.e. unsophisticated equipment; paucity of data and little knowledge of radio-biology - for many, the treatment was worse than the illness. However, those cases which were cured proved that radiation could replace surgery in certain instances.

I know that some of you have knowledge of radiation. For those who

do not, I would like to give a brief explanation.

Let me say first that, in general, radiation has a bad press as it is associated mainly with bombs, nuclear reactors and fall-out. But, there are benefits when it is used in a controlled situation by knowledgeable and qualified personnel.

What is radiation therapy? Radiation therapy is high energy radiation reacting with cell membranes and structures thus interfering with the cell's ability to reproduce and consequently retarding its growth. It also kills cells

outright.

Radiation can be given in several different ways. Most commonly, it is given by high energy machines with names such as: Betatron, Linear accelerator, Theratron and Cyclotron. The radiation given with these machines is called external beam irradiation and is described as photons, protons and electrons. Radiation is also given by using radioactive materials in sealed sources, eg. cesium and irridium in implants and unsealed sources such as iodine 131 and phosphorus 32.

There is no radioactivity in the patient after the treatment is given or

the implant removed. There is no contagion.

Radiation therapy can be used by itself in many instances where surgery was once recommended: radiotherapy can preserve function, eg. larynx; provides better cosmesis, eg. lip and breast; sterilizes the area of

malignancy thus preventing local recurrence; shrinks tumors so less surgery is needed and can treat tumors which are inaccessible to surgery or with a high morbidity rate with surgery. In many instances, if radiotherapy fails surgery

can be used for salvage.

It has been clinically proven that certain amounts of radiation must be given to attain and maintain local control of the disease being treated. Radiation therapy is based on doses that are biologically safe for healthy tissue - healthy cells even though they are injured retain the ability to repair themselves. Cancer cells do not. This dose may be given as one fraction per day over a given period of time or as two fractions per day with a break of four to six hours between treatments. The latter is known as the B.I.D. treatment.

A course of treatment can be given in five fractions and up to thirty fractions. Treatments are given, in this institution Monday through Friday, no weekends and no holidays. The actual treatments may take only a couple of minutes but setting up the area to be treated may take as long as twenty

minutes.

The setting up time demonstrates the importance of precision in this type of treatment. Radiation therapy carries both acute and longterm side effects. It is a localised treatment so that only the area being treated will show the side effects and benefits of the treatment. Effects of doses are cumulative and do not manifest themselves until after about ten treatments and areas of rapidly growing cells will show the responses quicker eg. if the head is treated the hair will fall out and the scalp will show the progression of a suntan. If the abdomen is treated there will be irritation of the gut and so the patient will experience some loose bowel movements. Acute side effects will gradually fade following the completion of the course of treatment and should return to normal.

The availability of treatment machines to deliver energies of different powers allows the therapist to deliver treatment with minimum side effects.

How are patients selected? A patient with a biopsy proven cancer is accepted for radiation treatment only after a complex work-up, i.e. physical exam; x-rays to determine location and extend of the disease/lesion; nuclea medicine studies; CAT scans and specialty films as is necessary. The results of all the tests, the histo-pathology and the extend of the disease are presented to and discussed by the medical, surgical and radiation oncologists before a decision is made and presented to the patient. The decision may be treatment with radiation alone; radiation in conjunction with surgery; radiation in conjunction with chemotherapy or all three modalities together.

The radiation therapy department at MGH in the 1960's was a part of diagnostic radiology. It occupied half of the corridor which ran from Baker-Domestic Buildings to Vincent and consisted of three treatment machines. They were fine as far as they were capable but, by to-day's standards, they were not capable of very much. The staff consisted of two attendings; eight technologists; four secretaries; one nurse's assistant and a nurse who functioned as receptionist/office nurse. Patients came in for consultations, were seen by the physician and given appointments for treatments. Information regarding the length of the treatment course, side effects and care of the treated area was given. Patients were cautioned to retain the marks on their skin.

Although there seemed to be good rapport between the patients and the staff when I was hired in 1970, the sensitivities I had developed from nurses' training about considering the patient as a "whole" pointed out omissions in the evaluation system. Since most of the patients were outpatients it was assumed that they were "all right" when, in fact, they needed assistance and direction. The diagnosis of cancer and subsquent radiation treatments carry

a great deal of stress. Further stress is incurred with side effects, body changes and interruption of normal routines. One young woman who was being treated for cancer of the cervix was usually seen by herself for weekly checks. Since sexual issues were not openly discussed, while waiting for the doctor, I surprised myself and her by asking how her husband was coping with her diagnosis and therapy. She seemed relieved to be able to tell someone that he thought her refusal to have sexual intercourse was an excuse and not a normal side effect of the treatment which was a very painful mucositis of the vagina. She asked if I would speak to him since he might not believe her. From that day on, family members have always been included in all sessions where information is exchanged.

There were other areas to cover: nutrition, dental care and social service help for the financially strapped and those with transportation

problems.

In 1971 a new chairman was named to the department which became autonomous. The number of attendings increased to five; a resident training programme was started and the patient census reached 100. The original nurse of the department retired and positions were created for two nurses. In 1975, the old Thayer building which held fond memories for many of us (my tonsils were removed while I was a resident there and my classmates plied me with gallons of ice cream!) was replaced by the Cox Cancer Center. The radiation therapy department would occupy the entire basement for its treatment machines; part of the first floor for new patients and follow-ups; the third floor for administration and the sixth and seventh floors for research. Five treatment machines and one planning machine were installed; the staff increased to 7; the resident staff numbered 6 and there were 14 technologists. There were three nurses and the patient census was up to 150. Today there are six treatment machines; 11 senior staff; 11 residents; five nurses; 25 technologists and the patient census runs about 200 to 225. A full time dietitian and two part time social workers round out the clinical staff.

At this time it was decided among the nurses that an assessment sheet would be filled out on each new patient coming into the department. Each nurse would be responsible for one or two or more attendings and all the paients under their care. Primary nursing was reinforced in our area. A master schedule of activities was drawn up to avoid overlapping of coverage and so, hopefully not missing any new patient.

Since the attendings are busy with other clinical activities, they are not always available in the clinical area; the residents rotate through the various specialties in the department so, thus, the nurse became a stable

factor for the patient during the course of therapy.

The role of the nurse in this specialty is multifaced. The task begins when the patient comes for the initial visit - the nurse greets the patient and family member/friend and does a brief psycho-social history; asks their understanding of the problem as told to them by the primary physician and ten explains the procedure that is carried out during the first visit. Pertinent information is then shared with the physicians. After the patient has been examined and radiation has been recommended the nurse asks the patient for feedback as to the understanding of the discussion. She clarifies misunderstandings; simplifies information; schedules tests; co-ordinates appointments to cut down on the number of extra trips back and forth; checks for provision of transport; recommends agencies or organizations in the community if necessary; makes referrals to our social service if necessary; reviews dosage, frequency, side effects and special procedures for medications; discusses the issue of childbearing if necessary; explains the treatment planning procedure and the course of therapy; side effects of the

treatment and the remedies to be used; the special care to be taken of the area being treated and measures to avoid. The importance of nutrition is discussed and referral is made to the dietitian if necessary. Dental care is evaluated and recommendations given. The nurse gives assurance about normal routines and encourages the practice. She also encourages family

participation and involvement during stressful experience.

Because of the effects of radiation on the tissues intensive planning is done before the patient actually receives the first treatment. The simulation is the treatment planning session which most patients must have. This is the time when the physician localises the area to be treated and the physicists put all the necessary information into a computer then tells the therapist whether it is feasible and safe to deliver the treatment in the requested manner. The choice will be the one which will best accomplish the desired results with the least damage to surrounding structures.

During the treatment period, the nurse works closely with the technologists and residents keeping tabs on the physical and emotional status of the patient; outside appointments are scheduled along with treatment appointment to minimize wait-overs; problems are triaged and the nurse initiates remedial measures. Adjustment of medication doses and even prescribing certain medications are done with the backing of the physician.

A physician is called to see the patient if necessary.

Follow-up appointments are given along with health teaching measures such as: protection from exposure to the sun; the ingestion of alcohol; smoking; avoidance of trauma to the treated area especially to extremities; use of vaginal dilators for sexually inactive women; signs and symptoms to be

aware of and telephone contact for reassurance.

The role of the nurse in this department is a complimentary rather than a competitive one with the physician. It is one of primary care and health team member. In this department any person who can will, when necessary, perform any task then notify the appropriate personnel but the nurse with her knowledge and training, is the most flexible member of the team and her role reflects this. Nursing, as it is practised in this department, is the realization of the model which was held up to us as we went through the nurses' training that we all had here at MGH - a commitment to the whole paient with a resulting sense of personal satisfaction.

News Note

On Friday, June 20, 1986 the Graduation Ceremony for the MGH Institute of Health Professions took place on the Bulfinch lawn. This year marked the sixth graduation for the IHP and the second year that nursing students have graduated. There were 19 nurses who recieived the Master of Science in Nursing degree.

Congratulations to the IHP Nursing Students, class of 1987, who passed State Boards - it was another 100% year for the group!

Our added congratulations to the Nursing Program on the work that was done by the students and faculty in preparing for and having a very successful site visit by the NLN - the work paid off with INITIAL ACCREDITATION being granted October,23,1986!

RUTH SLEEPER CHAPTER CELEBRATES 20TH

The Ruth Sleeper Chapter of the MGH Alumnae Associaion held a dinner to celebrate its 20th Anniversary on May 5, 1986, at the Renaissance Restaurant in Pembroke, MA. Their special guests were Miss Ruth Sleeper and Dr Elizbeth Grady of the IHP Graduate Nursing Program.

Following a lovely dinner enjoyed by 21 alumnae and guests, Ms. Sleeper spoke to the group about her activities during the year and of her saddness at the passing of friends and co-workers, Edna Lepper and Adele Corkum. Dr Grady then spoke regarding the Nursing Program, giving an overview of the program, its students, and plans for the future. Dot McCann gave a brief history of the Chapter and an anniversary cake was cut by Ms Sleeper and enjoyed by all.

The Chapter has suspended its regular meetings but members will gather for a dinner meeting in the spring (usually the 1st Monday in May). All Alumnae on the South Shore are welcome to join!

In Attendence: LOIS HACKETT (33)

AGNES MALONE COTTER (37) ELVA SAWYER PROCTOR (37) IRENE TIRELIS REILLY (40) EVELYN MC DONALD LYNCH (45) AMY PINCHBECK FOWLER (46) MARY E. WALLACE ANDERSON (47) ANNIA LOWE GEGIER (FEB. 47) MARJORIE BLACKWELL SULLIVAN (FEB. 47) MARY SALMI KORPINEN (48) DOROTHY JOHNSON MC CANN (49) PHYLLIS DELANO SKINNER (56) MARILYN PALMER KNOWLES (58) BOBBIE RAWSON STIDHAM (60) NANCY COLEMAN HANSON (63) VIRGINIA BURAK FLYNN (63) SUSAN BOBRYK LA TORRACA (68) Guests - Lucille Spring, Edna Bishop



with BETH GRADY

I was pleased to be asked to communicate with the alumnae through the <u>RECORD</u>. The development of a sound working relationship with your elected leaders has been personally rewarding and, I believe, a mutually beneficial accomplishment because it brings all of us together on a time continuum. Although each educational endeavor (the school and the program) has been a whole and independent of the other, nonetheless it can be argued that you have given us a past and we can give you a future. In that context we are inextricably bound.

We at the Institute share the same high standards for clinical excellence for which the School of Nursing and its graduates have become so well known and respected, It is our challenge to match such a reputation for the future of nursing education in this setting. The combination of a well planned curriculum, a scholarly and clinically competent faculty, and an incredibly gifted, insightful and motivated student body assures me that we are moving in the right direction.

To expand briefly, our curriculum contains more clinical practice hours than most programs do currently, and students opt for practice opportunities beyond planned learning experiences. The great majority of students avail themselves of a Department of Nursing offer of employment as graduate nurses during the summer between years 2 and 3 and as registered nurses throughout the third academic year. Such experiences do much to strengthen clinical skills and to lessen "reality shock" after graduation.

Many faculty engage in clinical practice beyond that which accompanies student learning, and several now hold joint appointments with the Department of Nursing. No non-clinical faculty are appointed in the Program. Faculty are establishing programs of research to investigate clinical problems. They also publish scholarly clinical papers on a regular basis.

A recently mailed survey promises to inform us as to how our first graduate have been received as clinical nurse specialists. I will share those data with you in the next RECORD.

The President, Trustees
and Nursing Faculty of the
MGH Institute of Health Professions
are pleased to announce
Initial Accreditation
of the Master of Science in Nursing Program
by the
National League for Nursing
October 23, 1986

Many Alumnae members remember THELMA INGLES class of 36, and know that she had a remarkable national and international career which was described in the Quarterly Record at the time of her death in 1983.

Thelma had started to write her autobiography and her sister and niece are ontinuing this in the form of a memoir. They are anxious to have further material on her life and career from those of us who knew her at MGH.

If you have any letters, reminiscences, anecdotes or pictures relating to Thelma, please send them to: Mrs Virginia Herendon, 614 Friend Ave, San Antonio, TX 78212.

Please include your address and phone number. Mrs Herendon promises to acknowledge anything you may send.

NURSING 175 - CHARTER DAY PROGRAM

BUILDING ON OUR PAST: THE FUTURE OF NURSING

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Twenty-five years ago as a young teacher I had the pleasure of participating in the 150th Anniversary celebrations of the M.G.H. At that time Miss Daisy Bridges, the General Secretary of the ICN from 1948-1964 was the special speaker for the nursing programme.

Little did I imagine that I would find myself in a similar position in 1986 for the 175th Anniversary. The fact that it coincides with the 30th

Anniversary of my class' graduation was extra nice.

It is a real honour to be here again at this world recognized health center. Since to very much of the world what is happening here today is the distant future for them it really is hard to speak on a global basis as to what the future may hold. So much depends on what sharing of resources

develops in the next few years.

At the June ANA Convention, Donna Diers gave her Jessie Scott Lecture the title "Beyond Chicken Little". Perhaps we do cry wolf too often. The future we always say, may be dismal or bright. It is my firm belief that it totally depends on us. By that I mean nursing can and must make the decisions and take the steps necessary to prepare the student of today for the practice of tomorrow. The leaders must also put into place the support systems necessary for those nurses to practice at the optimal level.

The past strengths of nursing in our country have been determination, commitment and steady progress. Frequently I am told by my colleagues, who went through nursing school in my era or slightly later that mine was not a "typical" nursing education. I guess that is true as we had people

pushing us all the way as they opened even wider possibilities for us.

It is true that students provided most patient care but with that experience one was ready for much more. I always said that working evenings on Bulfinch 5 prepared me to be a good lobbyist. The crash cart had to be ever ready, every quiet moment was used to know the status and condition of every patient. Just like Washington - keep your eyes open, be always ready, prepare carefully before the crisis.

Remarkable progress has been made in nursing education and service in the past twenty years. Broader education has made it possible to develop to

nursing care required for today's society.

Perhaps one of the current weaknesses I see from my position and my previous positions is the lack of a professional cohesion as we move forward. We allow outsiders to divide us, be they college or hospital administrators or physicians or ourselves.

That weakness plus our lack of attention to policy development, and here I mean coming forward with well developed proposals to improve care and to

promote health so less care will be needed.

This is true at the federal, state, local, institutional and ward unit levels. We have ideas but often do not bother to take the initiative to put

them forward in a formal, well documented way.

Modern nursing is about 130 years old and it was started and for many decades led, in many parts of the world, by British nurses. Our own American system followed that of Florence Nightingale. Gradually as the education of nurses has progressed in the USA and as more nurses from other countries have studied in this country one sees a very strong American influence in nursing around the world. This places a great responsibility on or institutions and on each of you that comes in contact with nurses from

other cultures.

During my student and staff nurse days at M.G.H. it was an everyday occurence to work with nurses from Europe. More rarely we might run into Australians or New Zealanders. Today I imagine you are finding people from the Far East, Africa and Central and South America coming in larger numbers. This is a potentially very enriching experience all around and surely it does promote better understanding among people. Unfortunately we do not always take full advantage of those opportunities, because we are "busy".

In my travels, I must say, that most of the nurses I run into who have worked or studied in this country speak of the hospitality shown to them. However those in our educational programmes often feel they are flailing

about.

In 1983 WHO published a report of the various problems of adjustment students have when studying in a culture alien to theirs. Some problems such as finance, housing and lack of family nearby may be similar to other students from distant parts of the host country. But in addition the foreign student has language, manners, food, social customs to adjust to in addition to the problems of all young students. The report (1) cites examples of paranoia, deep depression and feelings of fear and failure that can result if some plan for steady support and caring are not part of the institution's services. I think we all need to be more aware of this and to do more to assist people new to our culture. Their ways may be different but they are not wrong.

Earlier I said your present is the future for nurses in much of the world. After re-reading Sara Parsons, 1922, History of the Massachusetts General Hospital Training School for Nurses, (2), I realize that your (ours I should say) past is their today in many ways. When I visit a country I always ask to see where nurses work and often, where they live. When I saw that in one place they shared beds and day and night shift nurses rotated in those beds I thought it was outrageous. Yet when M.G.H. was in its early days, before the school was opened, nurses shared beds in a small side room off the ward. During the day that room was opened to all as a sitting room.

Perhaps each group must go through the same stages of growth?

The ICN is located in Geneva in order to promote effective working relationships with internation organizations such as the International Labour Organization (ILO), World Health Organization (WHO), League of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (LORCS), International Committee of Red Cross (ICRC), UNICEF and others. It is good to remember that at the organizing meetings of the WHO an American nurse, Mrs. Elvira Wickender was the only nurse member of the U.S. delegation and the only nurse present of the

sixty-one delegations.

Currently there are many joint efforts being made by these various groups to improve access to and quality of health care. The focus or mechanism receiving most attention is primary health care (PHC) in order to achieve Health for All by the Year 2000. It is important to realize we are not talking of health care for all but in fact of making access to health and making health possible for all. Why such a focus and how does that relate

to you?

If you analyze the mortality and morbidity rates of developing countries it is not hard to see that immunizations, clean water and sanitation facilities more adequate nutrition, health education and family planning are obvious tools that must be made available to those without them. Comparatively speaking they are low cost measures if one looks at the real costs of heart transplant surgery or neonatal intensive care units so it should, in 1986, be a reasonable expectation that the world can provide such services. Yet look

at the data! We are far from it. Why? Political will is not there, support from those with influence is lacking, corruption all along the line delivers

less than is paid for.

Repeatedly it has been documented that literacy of the mother is a major factor in promoting the health and nutrition of the family. Yet in some parts of the world those that are promoting literacy are seen as unwelcome agitators. In fact teachers, doctors, nurses and social workers are frequently among the "disappeared persons" because, just through the nature of their work they are seen as threats to the powers that be. It is in the interest of such "disappeared" people that we work most with the International Committee of the Red Cross. They very quietly follow up on all such reports and attempt to find out if the person is alive or dead. If alive they try to visit and to keep an eye on the treatment being given. Information is only given out to immediate family so we do not hear of their findings directly from the Red Cross.

While speaking of the endangered position of health personnel in some places I should perhaps mention that ICN is in the process of reviewing its Code relative to providing guidance for nurses in dealing with situations of torture. Unfortunately this is a spreading problem. Amnesty International released a report listing dozens and dozens of countries in which torture is used. Physicians and nurses often will assist under pressure or perhaps not always under pressure. The issue is how does one who finds oneself in such stuations deals with it and what action should professional groups take if the Code is violated? It is not nice to think about but I listened to a physician from South America talk about the physical effects of torture on the body and he told how at one point in his own torture he pulled off the hood and recognized nurses and doctors he knew in the room. It does happen! So again one can say what does the future hold perhaps improvements in

human rights of all people if we all insist on it.

Here in Boston working under intense pressure caring for people who have had complicated surgery it is probably hard for you to realize that in Burma there are whole wards of childern suffering from infant tetanus brought on by the use of contaminated knives at delivery. Or to understand the frustration of nurses in Jinga, Uganda caring for a 14 year old delivering her first child and they have nothing to cover her with. Her dress was used to wrap the baby. Down the hall a badly burned baby is in bed next to a woman with pneumonia. No linens, no dressings, no drugs. They know what should be but after more than a decade of war nothing works. No water, no electricity. How do well trained surgeons operate in such settings? When we talk of burn-out we need to think of what theirs must be like. What is their future now that the government seems to be improving? In these days of cuts in foreign aid budgets will health services assistance be cut? Will medical supplies be cut? These are questions that need to be asked here between now and the November elections. All policy makers respond to the interests of their constituents but they do not hear much about these issues. Those of you interested in the international aid issue should be sure to read the QUALITY OF MERCY (CAMBODIA, HOLOCAUST AND MODERN CONSCIENCE), (3) by William Shawcross. It describes the real problems of getting aid to the places that need it when politics is a major block.

On a more positive note, in the developed or economically advantaged countries, the quality of life has been greatly enhanced by the availability of good health services, better nutrition and increasing social benefits which make it possible for the population of all ages to live a fairly comfortable life. In Europe the fears now are of a greatly reduced fertility rate and a rapidly aging population. In Japan the very rapid increase in life expectancy has suddenly increased the need for more health services for the elderly.

In Samoa I was told that one missionary group was planning a home for the infirm elderly and the population was quite incensed by such a plan. They felt that they took care of their own and didn't need such a place. When it opened it had a very long waiting list. The nurses told me that made the public aware of the changes in life styles and how many old people are now alone in their society as the young have migrated. World wide the

problems are similar but resources vary drastically.

In terms of nursing and its development, just in the five years I have been with ICN I have seen great moves forward taken in nursing. For example, Australia has decided at government level that from 1990 on all nursing education will be in educational institutions. New Zealand has made a similar move. Spain has decided that nursing education will be in universities. Greece has opened two university programs and Norway has established a graduate program at the University of Oslo. Yet, in Sweden there has been a move back to start nursing courses preparing people for beginning practice in one of several special areas such as operating theatre, pediatrics and so on. Thailand, Japan, Taiwan, India all have good university programs with well prepared faculty. In Africa planning for several new university programmes is underway. Nigeria for many years has had such progams and it has a very strong nurses association and Ghana also has a university program.

It is interesting for me to see that in all of the Scandinavian countries the membership in the nursing associations is 85% and above. They have long recognized the need for strength and unity. In the United Kingdom the Royal College of Nursing (RCN) continues to grow by several thousand a year. The RCN is right now spear-heading a drive for educational reform

and better positions for nurses on a career basis.

It is in the U.S. with its overwhelming emphasis on individual rights and freedoms that we see a very splintered, subdivided and duplicative nursing scene. Sociologists could do many studies on these differences, I think. What for the future? It is impossible to tell really. In 1962 I had the good fortune to have a year teaching in the British system and of having a sociologist work with me. It was indeed a great career opportunity provided

by Ruth Sleeper here at M.G.H.

Earlier I spoke of PHC with its emphasis on prevention through a variety of approaches. There is nothing new about it but it does need more attention, Dr. Mahler, Director General of WHO told us last March that we should be doing more to promote and foster the ideology and development of PHC. Yet it is hard to get people to really look at what can be done in prevention in every country. In a book I was reading recently, Samoa - A Hundred Years Ago and Long Before, (4) by George Turner (p.136), it is stated that "Were their care in preventing disease equal to their anxiety to observe a cure when the child is really ill, there would probably be less sickness among them, and fewer deaths". Now, that book was written in 1884!

I am happy to say that today in Western Samoa every village or every second one, if they are small, has its health center, staffed by a nurse who is accepted very much as part of the community. The village women's committee assists with the clinic. They clean it, assist the nurse, greet patients and so on, so that active health education, immunizations, maternal-child and other services are easily available to all. The government had the political will to put the system in place and it seems to be working well as it is in Fiji and many other countries.

Now in places such as those where basic health needs can and are being met they can begin to plan for the other services next required. Sometimes I think people feel the emphasis on PHC is to obliterate secondary and

tertiary care and that is not so. No one wants a continuation of a system where only the rich who can afford to fly here or to Europe can have eve or brain surgery. But there has to be a long term plan and resources must be allocated to fit that plan. Nursing must find its best place within the long

term plan and must participate in its development.

Here in the U.S. evidence is mounting that nurses are going into private or group practices or moving toward contracting of services for a whole institution. More and more will be working in joint practices with physicians and others. In Europe where I live and in much of the world that type of activity is not likely for a long time as governments run most of the health services. They run the services, educate the personnel (often with a set curriculum country wide) employ all personnel and set the structure for institutional and regional management. So change comes slowly and often from other than the health groups themselves.

Hopefully we will see more truely neighbourhood clinics well staffed by well prepared nurses and others who can refer those needing special services to the appropriate place. Then travelling to crowded emergency rooms or O.P.D.'s, losing a days work while doing it will become a thing of the past.

Did you know that six months before Florence Nightingale started the School at St. Thomas Hospital, La Source School of Nursing was7 started in Lausanne, Switzerland? Its focus and purpose was to prepare nurses for community practice. It was years later that it was transferred to a hospital Now more than a hundred years later we are trying to refocus setting.

nursing curricula toward community needs and prevention.

In my ICN work I have visited about 30 countries. In each I observed some common problems in nursing regardless of the state of development of the country. Those are centered around women and their role in society, physician nurse relationships and the problems resulting from lack of colleagueship, health budget cuts and its results, a lack of an effective nursing voice in policy making and nursing salaries incompatible with other groups with similar level;s of responsibilities. Last Sunday the London Times had a two page feature story about the great numbers of qualified nurses who have left the profession.

Most of ICN's programming focusses on such issues in that we try to assist our member associations to deal with them. Leadership is one of the key areas needing attention. In fact that underlies each of the others. We learn from each other and help each other and it is gratifying to see how

helpful some associations are to those with fewer resources.

If leadership is properly developed than curricular changes, relationships in the work place and conditions of work will all be improved fairly quickly. To those of you working frantically here I do know how hard it is. remember that you can get transportation home and when you get there you have food to cook, electricity and water you can rely on and an inflation rate that is not 200 or 500% a year.

In Jamaica and Uganda to name only two places, currency devaluations of 3-400% mean rampant inflation for all imported goods if there are any. Nurses and others must work two jobs to make ends meet. In Uganda the staff walk, many of them many miles to get to work only to have nothing to work with! In fact I read recently that ministers in the new government

earn enough for just five bunches of bananas, (a staple food there).

We do take so much for granted in this country. We need to share more of the non-military things we have. If the slide downward is allowed to continue in the third world the future will indeed be chaos for your childern as the discrepancies cannot be continued.

Building on our history as a country we must do more. Building on the history of M.G.H. the leadership experiences of the institution need to be opened wider to nurses from abroad who can benefit from it but who then will go home to bring those new skills back. High tech or minimal tech. Which way to go! I think we need both and that both will become possible in time. But in the meantime we cannot grab it all. If so who knows for the future?

In developed countries the trends are well in place and moving fast. Hosptals and all health care institutions will be greatly changed by automation, expanding use of computers, safeguarding records, security use robots and the increasingly educational level of the patient/clients. Also the later retirement age and the extension of the normal life span of well in excess of 100 years as is now being projected will make great differences for nursing and nurses. Many of you will be around for the 250 Anniversary of M.G.H. Whether you will be working or not I cannot yet predict.

Behavioral changes now so evident in this country in diet, exercise and the decline in smoking and drinking will also influence the types of illnesses

we will be dealing with in twenty years.

At various speeds other countries will be dealing with similar changes. International nursing will be more in evidence as research results become available world wide and new knowledge and educational opportunity develop such as satellite conferences and computer banks.

To end on an upbeat note there are some great American nurses working at the local level in all parts of the world. I've met them with the Peace Congress in Samoa with the WHO in Bangladesh and others are with Project Hope in Egypt and Swaziland, in refugee camps in Thailand or with church groups in India or Pakistan. Each is working in his/her own way to make a contribution.

It is harder to find such opportunities now than it was 20 years ago, as the local nurses are much better prepared and there are often negative

feelngs to having western ways imposed.

If you want to get the flavour of nursing in other countries do come to our ICN Congress in Seoul, South Korea in May 1989. The theme is "Nursing - A New Tomorrow". We think we can, by working together, make it a good tomorrow as well.

I wish you all a happy 175th and wish you many years of giving what this institution has long been recognized for. Good nursing - good caring, even if the P.R. department when it gives out information on celebrities always mentions the doctors and never mentions the nurses.

My education and experience here in the 1950's and early 60's certainly gave me a big start in life. I consider it second to none and would do it all again in the new ways if I were starting out. I hope you find time to

reflect, plan and appreciate it all as well.

May I also urge you, each of you, to take a step outside of M.G.H. to provide leadership based on your expertise developed here. More of you should be giving papers at conferences, serving on state and national committees and running for office. The M.G.H. has been noted for that in nursing since its start and your generation must keep it up.

The world needs it and you will find it very satisfying and worth all of the extra effort. I was pushed very hard while I was here and so I will do

the same to you.

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WE WILL SPONSOR A CEU PROGRAM ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1987 1 P.M. TO 5 P.M. IN THE SHRINER'S AUDITORIUM. THE PROGRAM IS NOT FINALIZED BUT THE SPRING ISSUE WILL INCLUDE ALL DETAILS AND AN APPLICATION FORM.

A good time was had by all!







Class News

1915

We received word in July of the death of ALICE BARNARD VAN ARMAN. Her son wrote that she often spoke of her MGH days and included a check to the association as she had requested.

1929

A memorial service was held in the MGH Chapel on September 26 for MYRTLE ADRIENNE MILLER who died on Sept. 20.

1931

In a letter from GEORGIANNA HATCH BRACURELL she says that she is in good health and busy. She still lives in the retirement home in downtown Sacramento and tries to visit her nephew in Mobile, AL once a year. Being on a gluten free diet she does all of her own cooking including bread making.

1932

We learned that GLADYS WILLIAMS STANSFIELD is ill with Alzheimers Disease.

1935

In a note from her sister we learned of the death of SARAH TOABE LEVINE after a long illness.

1936

The 50th reunion of the Class of 1936 was a great success. Twenty-seven of us (and husbands) met for breakfast at 9am on Sept. 27 at the 57 Restaurant in Boston. Later some attended the Homecoming program while others took this opportunity to walk about and talk. We then joined the other Alumnae members for cocktails and lunch. Αt luncheon our class was honored as the "50 Year Class" and each member was presented with a ballpoint pen bearing a picture of the Bulfinch Building. We also delivered our class gift of \$959 to the Alumnae Fund Drive. After all costs were paid, incidentally, a surplus of \$18.51 remained and this was added to our Fund Drive contribution.

Present were EDITH LEE MACCORMICK and Bob, EILEEN GLYNN CLARK, CATHERINE WILSON MAY, MARY CONNOLLY GLEASON, MARGARET HAZEN ALLEN, EVA BORNER HARDY and Irad, GENEVIEVE RICE COVELL, JOSEPHINE WOODS DEE, EVELYN LYONS LAWLOR, JENNIE KORNACKI SMITH, LOUISE MOSER, LORRAINE THAYER FERNANDEZ, CAROL COFFIN OFFNBACK, LUCILLE LYONS TAYLOR, MARGUERITE VICHULES BOURGEOIS, RITA KEANE MURPHY and John, RUTH BELCHER LARSON, ELEANOR DELANEY HALTON, EMILY WYMANWIGH, JULIE DEMANE CORFOOT, MURIEL KEARNS BRODSKY, DOROTHY RICHARDSON, LOUISE EMERSON HOWE, LOIS GLADDING THOMPSON, MARJORIE GOLDTHWAIT RICHARDSON, EUNICE PIKE and ELIZABETH JOHNSTON BYRNE and Eileen and Carol came all the way fom California; Edith and Lucille from Florida, Emily from Georgia, Eunice from Arizona, Louise from South Carolina, and Mary from New Jersey. The rest of us came from many parts of New England, although Lorraine lives in Florida and Julie in Nebraska but both happened to be staying in New York and Maine, respectively, at the time of the reunion.

One of the features of our reunion was the distrubution of a large, beautifully prepared book containing summaries of the lives of many of our members. These summaries were supplied by the individuals involved, and the book was produced by Marguerite Vichules Bourgeois with the assistance of her son.

A number of classmates sent their regrets for not attending. Most of these had prior committments and were sorry not to be with us. We missed them, and all the "lost" members we didn't hear from.

Those who wrote or called but couldn't attend were: EDITH OAKES HELSTROM, BERNICE KIMBALL MCKAY, IRENE SMITH PACE, CHRISTINE STONE HARRIS, DOROTHY SMITH DICKS, LEONILLE DUFAULT BLAIR, RENE VANDERSLOOT STEWART. EVELINE DRAY NOLAN, PHYLLIS PATON WELCH, ELIZABETH TRIPP STEELE, BARBARA VIVIAN PAYNE, LOUISE CARLSON ANDERSON and ANNE SARGENT MCKINNON. We also received summaries from GRACE FLYNN GARRON, BEATRICE HARPER KLINE, and OLIVE ROBERY ENOS. A copy of the book has been mailed to each of these.

If anyone knows of any classmates who did not respond to our mailings and therefore did not receive a book, we would like to say that there are some extra copies available. If they would send their address and \$1.75 for mailing cost to Marjorie G. Richardson, 386 Riverway, Apt #4, Boston, MA 02115, a copy will be

Several people expressed interest in having another get-together on the occasion of our 55th or 60th anniversary. Let's see how things go and hope that will be possible.

1941

Our 45th anniversary reunion was rather splendid. There were 19 gathered at Homecoming Between the Annual Gift Giving and the recent reunion appeal, the class donated \$1060° to the Alumnae Association, the Sally Johnson Fund, and mainly, to the Felicia Kulig Fullerton Fund, established in her memory by her husband, who has even attended Homecomings.

February Section

ELEANOR F. BURKE, 76 Main St, Woburn, MA 01801, has retired from the Board of Registration in Nursing, as executive secretary: lives in family home with sisters. GENEVIEVE M. MONAGHAN, 55 Potomac St, W. Roxbury, MA 02132, will retire next year from the Board of Registration in Nursing where she is Supervisor, Schools of Nursing. She also owns a summer home on Prince Edward Island, Canada, not far from her

birthplace.

WINONA MEILLEUR AUSTIN, 33 Victory Dr, S. Burlington, VT 05403, where she is now retired from the Student Health Clinic at the University of Vermont. Has 3 children and 2 grandchildren.

HELEN SULLIVAN MOLLING, 242 South St, Holbrook, MA 02343, and husband, Raymond, are both retired; have 2 daughters and 6

grandchildren.

HELEN WALSH DUQUETTE, P.O. Box 712, Northborough, MA 01532, a widow, has 3 children; retired as an Industrial Nurse at Raytheon.

September Section

RITA GENNA BRAYDON, Parker St, Newton, MA 02159, and husband, Francis, have 4 children and 5 grandchildren. She does private practice, part time, as an Addiction Specialist.

MARTHA KIMBALL is retired from the Navy as a Lt. Com.; has a condo at 2830 Shore Dr, Virginia

Beach, VA 23451.

BARBARA CAMPBELL DESMOND, 23 Old Common, Wetherfield, CT 06109, and husband, Phillip, have 7 children and 14 grandchildren whom they spend a lot of time

visiting.

RITA BOYLE WILLITS, 31 Pine St, Rye, NH 03871, came to reunion with a crutch; she's had recent hip surgery. With husband, William, she has 4 children and 7 grandchildren. ANNA MCGILLICUDDY MCPEAK, 15 Birchwood Rd, Holbrook, MA 02340, is on the nursing faculty at Massoit Community College, Brockton.

ANN MCKENZIE, 41 Flaggler Dr, Marshfield, MA 02050, is retired after 34 years at MGH as a Transfusion and IV Therapy

specialist.

ANNA "PEG" MORRE JONES, P.O.Box 157, Middle St, Amherst, NH 03031, and husband, James, have 3 children and 2 grandchildren. Peg is a volunteer Emergency Medical Technician.

ANNA MULHOLLAND PAQUETTE, 100 Glover St, Southbridge, MA 01550, and husband, Gene, have, as I recall, 3 daughters and a son and a number of grandchildren. She's very active as a volunteer at the

Worcester Art Museum.

RITA O'LEARY OTTESEN. High St, Torrington, CT 06790, Apt B2, is a widow. She and Karl had 3 children (their daughter died in 1983, unfortunately) and 3 grandchildren.

PHYLLIS PROULX LAVOIE, 10 Lantern Ln, Shrewsbury, MA 01545, and husband, Robert, have 7 children and 6 grandchildren. Her

husband is a retired MD.

MADELEINE RUEST FRANKOVITCH, 29 Weeden Ave. Rumford, RI 02916, and husband, Dick, have 2 children and grandchildren. Husband is V.P. of a Jewelry Trade Association.

GRACE RUSSELL GLOVER. Union St, Camden, ME 04843, and husband, Sam, have 4 children and several grandchildren. They live in her childhood home and love it.

SWEENEY CHASE, MARY Lyman Wheelock Rd, S. Easton, MA 02375, and husband, John, a semi-retired MD (they met at MGH), have 2 daughters, one who lives with her husband in Russia.

ALICE "TERRY" YANCEY CONLON, 83 Martland Ave, Brockton, MA 02401, a widow, retired as executive director of Mass Nurses Association, lives in the old homestead and dreams of

owning a new home.

ISABELLE HOLMES DESTEFFANY died of lung CA on June 21, 1985. Her husband, R.D. DeSteffany, Col. USAF (Ret) of 1231 42nd St, Sacramento, CA 95822 answered my request for information about Isabelle's life. Born in Lowell, MA Isabelle, whom classmates remember as petite, pretty and sparkling, did staff and head nursing in OPD following graduation. In 1943, she joined the ANC, serving in the US, England, and North Ireland.

En route overseas on the Queen Mary, no less, she met a pilot. They were married in Sept, 1944, England, both at a civil ceremony per British Law, and then at the hospital chapel. She returned to her family when with their firstborn, pregnant Muriel, who was born in MA. When Dale finally returned, they moved to CA, just as the Japanese surrendered. Deciding to make a career in the Air Force, they spent a lifetime of moving. Their second child, Nelson, was born in their next, Matthew, Hawaii, and Chester in Montana. Her final pregancy was complicated by a premature birth. placenta previa and other problems which resulted in a Ceserean section and an ill baby.

When her husband was assigned to Okinawa for 1 1/2 years, she returned with the children to MA. On their final overseas assignment, the family went to England where the children received their basic education. In 1963, they returned to CA and, after 28 years of service, her husband retired. While he was employed in special state programs, Isabelle was involved in volunteer work.

The youngest child, Chester, died of viral pneumonia while in the Navy; the other children have had notable careers as a college teacher, an MD, and as a security broker.

Isabelle is interred, as a Chester, at Arlington National Cemetery. HELEN KOSKELLA GEISSENDERFER died on June 3. 1981. No other information has

been made available to me. PHYLLIS G. MADDEN died on July 11, 1974, according to information received by CAROLYN LOWNEY HAWK (Mrs Walter), 1551 LaVereda Rd, Berkeley, CA 94708. Phyl was a school teacher before coming to MGH; served with the 5th General Hospital (MGH Unit) during WWII, in Africa and Europe. She returned to attend Columbia University; did supervisory nursing in the Boston area; was Director of Nursing at N.E. Hospital for Women and Children and then at Whidden Memorial. She then was Director at a hospital in Florence, Phyl and Carolyn roommates as "probies" and, at 29 years of age, Phyl was mentor and "big sister" to Carolyn, who

20 hours a week on Baker 9, which is now an orthopedic floor. HELEN GILMORE YUILL lives with her husband in Lexington where they raised 4 daughters and Helen says that her nursing duties are confined to volunteer work.

ELI HATHAWAY FRIEND recently had eye surgery but unlike the majority of us Eli still has her beautiful naturally brown hair -- she was accompanied to homecoming by AMY PINCHBECK FOWLER who is still the same caring considerate loving Amy. They both live in Stoughton and yes, Amy's mother is now 98 and lives in a nearby nursing home.

MARY JESSE WORDINGHAM came in from Canandagua, NY. She has nursed for the last six years for the VA on a late night shift where she cares for aging veterans with both psychiatric and medical problems. As with other working 46ers she reports that she "loves her work." MARY JOBIN POULIN came as did a recently widowed ANITA KONIKOW GLASSMAN. Anita brought pictures of her 8 grandchildren. Our class alumnae rep was there, MADELYN MCINTOSH NALDBAND. Madelyn had been kept very busy last year of 2 new the arrival grandchildren and the death of her mother. PAULINE KUGLER OSBORNE reported that she had been school nursing for some years. MURIEL POULIN is still a professor at the B.U. SON and I know that she has had papers published and has received recognition for her contributions to nursing practice. ANNE K. SAXTON (Pug Sage) told us a bit from the experiences she and her husband had had helping to start family planning clinics in Uganda in 62-71 and in central MA and VT in the 70's where she had her own practice.

BETTY WOLANSKI says that she had had the best of both worlds, having worked as an operating room supervisor for 25 years from MGH, to Mary Hitchcock to Maine Medical Center and fills in now in Gardner, MA. In 1971 she married Stan, a widower, and became a stepmother and stepgrandmother in

writes, "Phyllis was a gentle, friendly, intelligent and most attracive woman....I feel honored to have had her for a friend."

MARION MARCHETTI LANDGRAF died on April 6, 1977, from complications of aplastic anemia, after, as her husband wrote, "more than five years of struggling to keep going." Husband, John, 2423 Eye St NW, Washington, DC 20037, added "she is missed by her 2 daughters, their husbands, and me." More detailed information will be forthcoming in the newsletter which I will send to all those addresses which have checked out OK.

"Terry"

1945

In a newspaper article we leaned that FRANCES GNONG received a Bachelor of Science degree in sociology from Bridgewater State College. She is supervisor of the Cardiac Care Unit at South Shore Hospital.

1946

Marilyn Parlee 125 Pine Hill Rd Chelmsford, MA 01824

The Sept. Section was well represented at Homecoming by 17 members. CORA BIGELOW SMART was there as she had been some years back at the Northhampton VNA when MARGARET PERKINS KELLEY came to start her VNA career.

Dynamic JACKIE DWYER HOSSFIELD was there. Jackie has retired from her years of private duty nursing and shares mother sitting duties with her sisters. She has 11 grandchildren scattered around the US and in Europe. MARILYN FARMER PARLEE is retired to housework, gardening and swimming, but I did enjoy my 7 years of teaching at LGH.

LOU FORRANT QUEENEY reports that she and Jimmy have their 4 sons and 4 daughters through college, one daughter is an MD in Colorado and Lucille still works









a large loving family. DOROTHY SHATTUCK was with us too at our 40th.

Also heard from were DOROTHY GIBBS NELSON who with 5 grown children is still working up in Tilton, NH. MARJORIE BELL TEBO EILEEN in Gloucester and CARROL TAFT has been at Concord NH Hospital for 40 years. Her most recent title is Utilization Review Supervisor. MARY GILL PICKUP from Middletown, CT has retired after setting up a computer record system in the physician's office where she has been working for several years. She traveled to Britain and Canada this summer. ELSIE SALMI wrote that she is happily retired to Sarasota, FL.

SHIRLEY BATTLES HALL had 17 years of working at the Concord NH Hospital on OBGYN after raising her 4 children. She guit because of a bad auto accident (winter ice) and spent time hospitalized with a crushed femur. She and her leg are all right now. EARLINE WEBBER WESCOTT couldn't make it but reports that she is now retired to parent sitting, grandparenting, and volunteering with the Red Cross Blood Bank and she says "doing nothing." BETTY HILLIARD is the director of the nurse midwifery program at the University of Florida's College of Nursing. DOROTHY HARRINGTON couldn't make Homecoming because she had previously scheduled meetings to do with her job as a local rep of the district health commisioner's office which covers tasks such as the liscensing of hospitals, sanitation and health promotion with the Mass Associated Boards of Health.

A strong sentiment was voiced that our section of the class of '46 needs to plan its own reunion in 1991!

1947

JEAN MURRAY FALLON has been named executive director of the Maine State Nurses' Association

Sept. 1949

In a letter from RUTH STRONACH

HENSHAW we received news of several classmates.

BARBARA STEVENS WRIGHT baby sits her grandson Danny regularly, he's a lovable, bright, busy boy. Barbara, Herb, son Dave and Danny had a wonderful trip in the Canadian Rockies, Alberta, and British Columbia.

MARGARET MANNING and her sister are both enjoying retirement. They had rainy weather in their Maine June vacation.

IRENE WEISSLINGER SWAN is busy working at Ice Cream Shop and gets to VT on holidays.

DOT JOHNSON MCCANN does no nursing now as she is busy being a grandmother to Sam.

MARY LIBBY MORRIS's husband Paul said she is working at NE Rehab in Woburn. She went back to work 10 years ago after bringing up 6 kids. Their daughter was in the last 3 year program class.

RUTH TILLSON LOWELL had a mini reunion with SMITTY (ELIZABETH S MITH), LYNN POULTER RATCLIFF, JANE WRAGG BERGERON, and PHYLLIS CHADBOURNE LICHTENWALNER, whose husband has taken a position as County Medical Officer in Columbus, GA.

Bob and I had a cold, rainy, but enjoyable 2 week vacation in Nova Scotia. I still volunteer at the Baptist Hospital of Miami and get CEUs to keep my license current in MA and FL.

Sept. 1951

Joan Vaillant Parent 265 Wilson St Marlboro, MA 01752

On a gorgeous day in September, 12 of our classmates met at Homecoming. Although I hoped more would attend, we were extremely happy over the group who did attend for our 35th!

MARY THISTLE CHEMINI - works with the Dept of Public Health in Boston. Daughter Donna, 21, in her 3rd year at Wentworth an Architectural major, son Jimmy, 25, graduated for U Mass and is a foreman for a landscaping company,

daughter Linda, 26, recently married, she and husband Todd Gernes are in Providence RI.

ANNE ZANIEWSKI KUTLOWSKI - 1 Ashbrook Dr. Hampton, NH 03842 does school nursing occassionally, 5 children (4 boys and 1 girl) all at home except for one boy, her husband is retired from his publishing business and they are

taking trips once a month.

SHIRLEY DUNCAN DRISCOLL - 105 Furlong Dr, Universal City, TX 78148 - works for the Air Force as a Medical Records Clerk - retires after Jan, 87, widowed for 2 1/2 vears - husband died suddenly of an abdominal aneurysm, has 4 children (2 daughters married and 2 sons unmarried) - after retirement she plans on staying in TX and traveling.

MARION DECKER MANES - 211 Riverview Lane, Centerville, MA 02632 - Still in Real Estate - went to Augusta, GA to the Masters Golf Tournament - daughter Robin has 2 children age 3 & 5 and Betsy is expecting her fist child in Jan.

MARION KELLEHER EVANS - 47 Country Corners Rd, Wayland, MA 01778 - Pediatric Nurse Practitioner - 3 children,

married.

MARY HAGERTY FORD - 82 E Foster St, Melrose, MA 02176 -Clinical instructor Bedford VAMC has her BSN from Salem State and an MSN from the University of Lowell - is a certified Adult Nurse Practitioner and has 5 children.

VIRGINIA PIEROBELLO SABIN RFD 2 Box 2632, Brunswick, ME 04011 - Adult Clinical Specialist -Psychiatric Nursing, clinician at Jackson Brook Institute in Portland, children - Bedana, 25, at Leslie College for a MS in elementary education, Jonathan (Jay), 24, a 3rd

vear law student at BU.

MARY CARLSON CAMPION - 10 Old Connecticut Path, Framingham, MA 01701 - works as an On Call staff nurse E.R. and C.C.U. at Leonard Morse Hospital Natick, 3 married children and one to be married in March, one in the service, 3 living at home and 5 grandchildren.

RUTH REARNLEY SKONIECZNY -

41 Stonecrest Dr. Bristol, CT 06010 - works as a staff nurse at Bristol General Hospital - children - 3 boys, 2 girls, 5 grandchildren.

DORIS SEARS BATES - 7 Anastasia Dr SE, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548 - retired - one son Peter. BARBARA WHITLOCK SUTHERLAND - Box 175 RFD # 1, Barnstead, NH 03218 - lives in Northwood - phone 603-942-8167 works in the ICF Unit at Concord NH Hospital - has a BA Psychology/Sociology from NE College, Henniker (77), her husband is in the Merchant Marines - son Hunt married, electrical engineer with a 2 year old daughter, Moyah. Daughter Reed is married and living in Ithica, NY.

NANCY ANDERSON WHYTHEHEAD 275 Yale Ave, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3M 0L4 - has worked for 11 years in the Intermediate Care Nursery nights - her husband is a surgeon (retired) - has 4 daughters and 4 granddaughters.

GRETCHEN GEARHART CLAMAN works in Public Health in Kansas

City

JOAN V. PARENT - working Long Term Care as a Director in Framingham - husband works Chemical Research at Stowe Woodward - daughter Joanne is a Veternarian, married and living in CA, with 1 child - son Robert works for Natick Labs and starting a Masters degree in Jan. youngest son is in third year at Brandeis planning on Med School.

The Homecoming couldn't have been nicer. The planning and cooperation of all our Alumnae Veteran's who continue to work to bring this together every year is fantastic! Of course Ms Sleeper was present plus Helen Sherwin and many others.

I extend my class's thanks to the Alumnae Association - to all my classmates who could take the time to attend and hope to see more of you at the 40th!

1953

We received a news item concerning he death of William the husband of JEAN Bogg, RODRICK BOGG in Naples, FL.

In response to the July mail-out several of us were reunited at homecoming this year. BOBBY ROMEO and MCNEIL SHIRLEY KELLEY FURSTON flew in from Washington, DC, CAROL BEAUMONT SARTORI, JOAN ALFONSO WALKER, SHIRLEY DONAGHY HAMEL, AND CATHY MILLETT CASHIN were there. We were able to share news and more important update demographics on many others. We continued the day at my home in Burlington where Doug and ANN DEPAULES WOOD ioined us.

The date is set for 1987 and again, we will continue the fun at my house for Happy Hour and buffet. We all agreed, the time has come for us to share our lives again.

JEANNETTE BOURGOIN BLAINE

SEPT. 1956

ANNE JOHNSON 95 Bundy Lane Storrs, CT 06268

A great time was had by all who came to our 30th reunion during and after Homecoming. Those attending either the official meeting or the private one after lunch or both were: PAT BROWN CHAPMAN, BETTY CRONIN COSTA, SANDRA WAX BRANT, SYLVIA CHURCHILL PRINCE, MARIAN WINQUIST KINZINGER, IRMA MACDOUGALL GIGLIO. JANE BURROWS ROHRBACHER, SANDRA YOUNG BROWN, ELIZABETH SVAGDYS BOLAND, MARILYN KITCHING KLEIN, JANET HIXON DAWE, PRUDENCE THACHER STEWART, PHYLLIS DELANO SKINNER, KAY CHESTER, BARBARA DOYLE HERLIHY, BARBARA KRYSIENIEL TANNUZZO, ANNE HANAWAY JOHNSON, and GEORGIANNA KACHADORIAN WHITE, who kindly let us carry on our celebration at her home. (I am happy to report that everyone looks as good as they did thirty years ago - maybe even better!)

As a result of our researches in planning this affair, we have a reasonable up-to-date address list for our class. If you would like a copy, please send a large stamped addressed envelope to me at the above address and I will be happy to send you a copy.

Barbara and I have arranged the 25th and 30th and we think it is time some one else took over. Perhaps several of you could form a committee to plan the 35th - or even the 31st. One of the perks of doing such a thing is that you get to hear from people who cannot attend - I got calls from BETTY MCLEAN WOODS and ROSEMARY FITZGERALD DUGARD and lots of mail that wasn't junk mail. Let me know it you are interested; maybe we could even get some news published in the Alumnae bulletin every now and then.

1957

We learned of the death of SARAH BURKLEY OLEARY's husband, John in July, 1986.

1961

MAUREEN MCGRATH 148 County Rd P.O.Box 454 Ipswich, MA 01938

25 years! Can hardly believe it. Homecoming 1986 - a great success. We had 21 classmates for lunch and shared a great time. Our evening celebration held was at Sheraton Tara in Braintree starting a 6 p.m. We were joined there by husbands and more fellow classmates (45 in all) and spent a super evening over cocktails, dinner and leisurely conversation catching up on 25 years. Before we knew it, the bewitching hour of midnight arrived and it was time to depart with all agreeing - 5 more years and a bigger get together.

The following is a bit of catching up for those of you not there:

DEB CAMPBELL STAGEBERG
July 30 this year found me returning to the East after having been gone for 24 years. I'm living

and working in Springfield with my 9 year old son and very dear friend and plan to stay here permanently. My three older girls still call Minneapolis home, but I'm sure it won't take long for them to come East. I'd love to hear from everyone - 413-543-6817.

BETTY MATRICARIA HUTCHINSON I'm in Bridgton, ME (40 miles inland from Portland) living on a pond in the woods with my husband and 2 children - 18 year old son in the process of choosing a college for next year and 9 year old daughter to keep us all on our toes! Community Health via a visiting nurse service in the rural area is my focus and I'm 1/2 way to my MPN - x-country skiing is great anyone in the area should call - 207-647-2124.

BEVERLY WOODS GEMMILL - 2 grown sons, husband retired, am a school nurse - 15 years - will have a BSN in May - past president of the Delaware School Nurses

Association.

CHRISTINE GOODMAN - Todd in 3rd year at USCD San Diego - Artificial Intelligence and Computer Science, Karen is a freshman at RPI, Troy, NY - Aeronautical Engineering. I work at Leahey Clinic in Outpatient Dept. for a plastic surgeon and general surgeon. Husband Rick - software development in Harvard Square.

ANN LYNCH DURFEE - married 25 years - 4 children - Mike, 24, Robin, 22, Nancy, 19, Scott, 15. Working in Neonatal ICU Burnham 6 JESSIE WILLIAMS PARSON - married 23 years, living in Plainville, MA for the past 6 years. 4 children - 2 boys at Syracuse U., 1 son in high school, and 1 daughter in 5th grade - working per diem at Faulkner Hospital and sub nurse in local industry.

MICKIE MCNULTY CONDON - married 24 years - 4 children - 2 in college, 1 working, 1 freshman at BC High, living in Randolph doing public health part time in Randolph. MARIAN SAUNDERS - lives in Boston, presently working as a researcher and data analysis at U Mass/Boston. Son, Maceo is 13 and

in 8th grade.

SALLY WARD DOMENIEO - lives in Westborough - married 20 years - 1 son, Rick - sophomore at Villanova and 1 daughter, Mary Beth - junior in H.S. - Left nursing for a career in employment counseling and love it!

ELLIE LOVE MARCKI - married 23 years - 3 kids - Chris, 22 and getting married, Pete, 20 and job hunting, Amy, 14 in 9th grade and into everything - work at the "Mecca" part time nights and tolerate it.

ROSEMARY RICE WILLISTON husband Jim speech therapist in Attleboro, Craig, 20 at BU majoring in Business, Bethany, 15 in high school - I work part time in

Bridgewater.

LIZ MARSH REAM - husband J. Hubert. architect, Forest Dillon, daughter, Becky, 15 in high school - Division Head - Nursing -Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland - Associate degree program (600 students) - Hobby past vears sing with Cleveland Orchestra Chorus - performs with Cleveland Orchestra - last. year performed with them in London and Brussels. Trying to carry on MGH spirit in CWRU territory.

MARLENE NORTON - have Masters - worked in School of Nursing until it closed - went back to staff nursing Burnham 5 - in spare time

grow 70 rosebushes.

LOUISE GENGENBACH HIELER - married to a Forestry Service Researcher at State College of Penn. - working in a Family Planning Agency - working on degree from University of State of NY.

BETTY ADAMSKI SCHINKE - 3 children - John - in Navy, Lynn at U of New Mexico in archeology, Cheryl - junior in high school. Working as Nursing Director for

Home Health Care Agency.

ANN ROURKE BOIVIN - husband, Maurice (MGH Anesthesia '61) - 2 children - Chris, 19 freshman at Bradley University, Kathy, 16 junior in high school. Currently developing a good health practices and tobacco drugs program for 5th grade students for the American Cancer

Society - hobbies - sewing, making

iewelrv.

MARY HYDE HAYDEN - Husband, Charles - 3 children - 22, 20, 16 youngest at home - Part time at Newton-Wellesley Hospital, evening coordinator.

SUZANNE DAILEY DANNE -Husband, Ulrich, 1 son, 11 - Part time nursing, enjoy skiing

traveling.

MAUREEN SPELLMAN STARKWEATHER - Husband Robert - 2 sons - Jonathan, 18 and Daniel, 15 - Town nurse town of Harwich member Chatham Community Chorus ROBBINS PACKARD Husband Charles - children Keith, 22, Scott, 19, Craig, 17. Working 4 x week in Med/Sug. Enjoy traveling, biking, backpacking.

GINNY KACZMAREK RUTCHO mother of 2 great boys - Josef, 14, and Peter, 8 - wife of Pardi - Into soccer games, piano lessons, chauffering, baseball, digging potatoes, stenciling, finding peace have acquired MSN - working as charge psyche nurse 2 evenings a week, heading for a position in

counseling.

ROSEMARY BEVACQUA TEMPRENDOLA - residing in Escondido, CA since 1962 - married 4 children - 23, 22, 20, 16 working part time in a Vascular Surgeon's office and assisting in Vascular surgery - husband employed as pharmacist - enjoying life style in CA very much.

WILMA E LASHLEY (EVANS) Nursing Director at St Elizabeths in Dayton, Ohio - Nursing a real challenge - never a dull moment daughter, Linda, 21 at OSU & son, Mike, 19 - am looking forward to

another "reunion" soon.

NANCY (GINGER DOYLE) SMITH -Director of Nursing - Regional Memorial Hospital, Brunswick, ME -2 daughters - Charlotte, 21 and Elizabeth, 19 - divorced - BSPA heading for some kind of Maters someday - workaholic - play a tough game of racquetball.

GRANT TRAVERS MAUREEN Psyche nursing - married - 3 girls -21, 16, and 15 - still love life but don't go swimming in the Charles

River.

PENNY KEITH - moved to the Cape I year ago and got into Real Estate business and love it! Significant other - Don Murray x 5 years - we love to sail and travel - have home in West Dennis and Windsor, VT.

BARBARA DYGERT BOWMAN live in Saratoga Springs, NY for past 16 years - mineral springs and thoroughbred racing in Aug. married 23 years - 3 children - 19, 16, 13 - Work at SUNY Albany at Student Health Services - love it! We enjoy skiing, sailing,

putting kids through college.

ANN WHITE NOZAWA - traveling through life with the same husband (25 years) - 3 kids - the oldest just started in college, so Mom has no retirement plans - working as a nursing supervisor, and very active in church and community activities. BUNNY FULLER MORLEY - live in Canton with John and 6 children married 24 years - working at Mass Hospital School in Canton with handicapped early intervention program and loving it. We're busy puting children through college, one out 5 to go.

MARY LOU PRENDIBLE NADEAU -Miami, FL for last 15 years married 25 years - work with my husband in his consulting business -3 children - daughter 23, sons 21 and 18 - Marvelous reunion nostalgic for old friends and good

times in Boston.

ANNE MARIE HANSON KIRKPATRICK - recently moved from Washington, DC to Jupiter, FL married to Bill for 24 years - 3 daughters (Beth married, Debbie 1st year college, and Kristie senior in school) Most recently administrator of the A K Rice Institute (Psyche educational institute) - I will still be involved as administrator of the A K Rice Institute National Conference held at Mt Holyoke College each June -Super reunion - look forward to the next one!

MAUREEN MCGRATH - BSN Boston College '71, MSN U of CA '74 -Director of Medical Nursing, Carney Hospital 1979 to present - Home is in God's Country (Ipswich) - I enjoy gardening, perserving jams, backyard wildlife refuge, boating, walking the beach and caring for my two cats.

P.S. Did anyone leave a camera - let me know and I'll get it to you. Since this is our first really informative class news - let's keep it up. How about mailing news about yourself to me for another edition. Looking forward to hearing from you.

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WORCESTER COUNTY MGH NURSES CLUB MEETS

Twenty-one members of the Worcester County MGH Nurses Club met on May 21, 1986 in the home of Barbara Clancy in Brookfield. It was an evening spent eating, discussing recipes and reviewing memories of operating room experiences. And, of course, nostalgia for the buildings in the MGH complex that no longer exist. We learned what to do with chopped spinach - combined with several other ingredients and grilled lightly it makes marvelous hot hors d'ouevres, courtesy of Peg Premo. Letters were read from those unable to attend: FRANCES TOMASUNAS KAY (41), CATHERINE PHILBIN (32), MARGARET LAVELLE (32), MURIEL SETTLE POLLOCK (42), MARTHA DAVIDSON PETERSON (32), AND PHYLLIS WHEELER.

At 9:30 pm when all had left and Barbara Gail Lyons and I were doing the few dish washing chores, we discovered a large watermelon lurking in a paper bag, no name attached. The Clancy clan thoroughly enjoyed!

Those attending included:

*MARY ALEKSIEWICZ (66) JANICE PROUTY HOWLAND (62) MARTHA ALMONTE (74) *GAIL CHARBONNEAU LYONS (74) CHRISTINE MOORE BINNALL (29) *KATHLEEN MICHAUD LAHEY (72) BARBARA MORAN CLANCY (57) JANET MAC MILLAN (62) MADELINE DILL ANN MITCHELL (54) HELEN WALSH DUQUETTE (41) MARGARET CARTER PREMO ANNETTE HEINZLE DESMARAIS (44) ELIZABETH CONNOR PRIGIO (45) CHARLOTTE HALL (44) MARIE REARICK (44) ANN RAYMOND SCHWARTZ(46) LISA SIMON VILLARREAL (81) CAROL BROWN WALSH (57) *RUTH BARTLETT WILLIAMS (42) *ANN QUINK YOUNG (61)

The * names were those of new members. Although our group has lost some, we were delighted to welcome new MGHers. The next meeting will be in May, 1987. Anyone in the area interested may contact: Barbara Clancy, Box 201, Brookfield, MA 01506 or Marie E. Rearick, Box 364, Warren, MA 01083.



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1916 Alice Van Arman, on June, 1986, at Norristown, Pennsylvania. 1917 M. Ruth Sheldon Hawley, 1986, details unknown. 1922 Anna Arakelian Perry, on September 10, 1984. 1929 Hazel Benjamin Anderson, 1986, details unknown. 1929 Myrtle Adrienne Miller, on September 20, 1986, at Boston, Massachusetts. Alice Breen Wright, on November 13, 1985. 1930 1937 Barbara Jipson Lyons, on June 15, 1985. Ruth Pierce Matson, 1986, details unknown. 1937 1938 Margaret Mahin Laurion, on June 5, 1986. 1941 Helen Koskella Geissendorfer, on June 3, 1981. Marion Marchetti Landgraf, on April 6, 1977, 1941 at Washington, D.C. Phyllis G. Madden, on July 11, 1974, at North Carolina. 1941 Muriel Holmes De Staffeny, on June 21, 1985, at 1941 Sacramento, California. Elizabeth West Briggs, on July 19, 1986, at 1946 Brookline, Massachusetts.

Katherine Keating Wolff, on July 30, 1986, at

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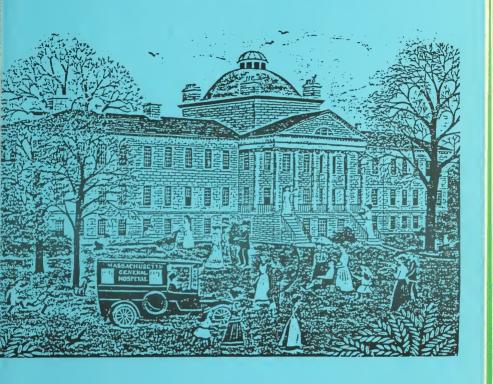






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IHP PINNING - ADELE CORKUM AWARD PRESENTED

On Friday evening, May 1, the class of 1988 officially completed their generalist portion of the nursing program. In receiving their pins they become our newest members. Our congratulations and welcome to all!

Mary Caira, President, represented the Association at the program and awarded the second annual Adele Corkum

Award.

The following is a copy of her remarks to the class of '88 and the award presentation:

"It is my pleasure to welcome you into the Nursing Alumnae Association of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

I was reminiscing with Anne Manton, who graduated a year or two before me. Our graduation ceremony was very different from yours. It always took place at the Auditorium in the John Hancock Complex. We were all dressed identically in stiffly starched uniforms, our caps were exactly centered on our heads, and we wore the standard Clinic shoes. The uniforms were something to behold. They were made-to-measure, and needed about 27 special buttons on shanks to complete the ensemble. It took about 20 minutes to prepare a uniform and attach all of the buttons -5 on each sleeve, about 12 down the front, and 3 on the belt. And, there was the button that held the separate collar onto the uniform - this button always scratched the back of the neck. The collar was held together in the front by a safety pin, then the pin was rigged to an elastic and that was attached to another pin on the bra, to hold it in place. It was a good day if one didn't get scratched by a pin opening, bruised by the elastic snapping, or scraped by the shank of a button! One had no choice but to stand erect in the uniform.

You join an organization that was established in 1895, by graduates of the school, dating back to its beginning in the mid 1870's. You join thousands of graduates who have made their mark on the Profession of Nursing. They have been there -at times of peace, and on the battlefield, at the bedside, and on the Board of Directors, in the community and in the largest of the health care institutions, as the teacher and as the dean, in the jungles and in the big cities. Their purpose has been to serve mankind, in their needs, in

their illnesses, and in maintaining their good health. They are stationed throughout the world. They Care.

We welcome you as members, and look forward to your

participation in the activities of the alumnae.

I am honored to present the Adele Corkum Award for \$1000.00 to one of you.

This award honors the memory of a beloved graduate of the MGH School of Nursing, who devoted uncountable hours and immeasurable devotion to the school, the hospital, and the alumnae association.

Corky died suddenly on Easter Sunday, 1986. I will describe her in the words her minister used at her memorial service. "Corky was our friend and mentor. She was truly a mother to us all. She animated our living and listened to our fears. She guided us, disciplined us, organized us, set high standards and expected our best efforts. She made lists for us, gave precious gifts to us, and even named our trangressions for us. But, the discipline was embroidered with compassion; the high standards gilded with great expectations. Her nursing was not just a profession, but a way of life. She elicited from us only what she demanded of herself. Her leadership was born of love. Her ministry was an incarnation of the timeless effort to reach us, teach us, make a home for us. Her power, strength, and love touched our lives."

The money for this award came from many alumnae, co-workers, friends, relatives and admirers of Corky. In recent years, she was one of your greatest advocates, although you may never have had the joy of knowing her. She had a special love for students. We on the Board had an unwritten rule, unknown to Corky. When we discussed scholarships, we set the amount at half of what we could afford, because we knew the Corky would convince us to double or triple the amount. She gave away money for a very worthy cause - education. So, you can see why we give the award to one of you, in her memory.

In choosing the recipient, we requested that the person represent the qualities of Adele L. Corkum - Admirable, Diligent, Extraordinary, Loyal, Energetic, Loving, Caring Outstanding, Religious, Kind, Understanding, and Motherly. It is with pleasure that I present this award to HELENE

QUINN.

As follow upto my commitment in the last <u>Record</u> the Institute has been receiving employment data on graduates from the first nursing class. This information will be expanded upon by data collected from the second class and prepared for publication sometime next fall.

I want to use this opportunity to "talk" to you about nursing research, the major route to the advancement of clinical practice. The profession has acknowledged for many years the necessity for nurses to utilize research findings in patient care and the responsibility nurses must take for studying clinical issues which non-nurse researchers are simply unprepared to investigate. Yet, the number of nurses socialized and educated to conduct and/or utilize nursing research is relatively low.

At the Institute clinical research is a significant ongoing activity in all the represented disciplines. Students have a clinical thesis degree requirement; in nursing the research is conducted in the student's area of specialization.

As the Graduate Program in Nursing matures some specific directions for faculty research are emerging. Professors are linking their individual clinical investigations to the major conceptual processes guiding the curriculum, CARING and CLINICAL JUDGMENT. It is anticipated that faculty and students will become involved with nursing staff of the Department of Nursing in research collaborations yielding new directions for the practice of nursing.

A few examples of research in progress by current faculty are clinical investigations of: the psychosocial aspects of AIDS, the nursing diagnosis of activity intolerance, the effect of positioning on thoracotomy patients, and responses of women to caring for spouses with Alzheimer's disease. Recent student theses include the following areas of study: sleep disturbances in hospitalized older adults, fatigue in ambulatory cardiac patients, and the relationship between recreational running and primary dysmenorrhea.

I anticipate that this small sampling provides enough of a flavor for you to appreciate the potential utilization of findings of such studies in increasing the breadth and depth of the practice of nursing.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1987

at Howard Johnson's "57" 200 Stuart Street Boston

Registration & Coffee 8:30
Annual Business Meeting 9 - 10
Program 10:30 - 12

"THE NURSES' ROLE IN HOSPICE"

Margaret Carson Gilmour, R.N., M.S. (MGH 62) Executive Director Community Hospice of Greater Nashua

RECEPTION 12 - 1 LUNCHEON 1 - 2:30

Please fill in and return the enclosed card by September 8.

If you are making arrangements for others, please be sure to include name and address to avoid duplication of reservation.

REGISTRATION, MEETING, & LUNCHEON - EIGHTEEN DOLLARS

\$18.00 FEE MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME RESERVATION IS MADE.
Restricted to 300 reservations so reserve early.
All luncheon reservations must be made by September 8.

NO LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR.

NOTE

To: Members planning class reunions

The Alumnae luncheon is a seperate function not connected with class celebrations. Those members of your class who are not active Alumnae Members will not receive the flier on the Homecoming program and luncheon. It is up to you to keep them informed and if they wish to join you at the luncheon they must register in advance.

REUNION CLASSES

If there is a former instructor that you would like to see at Homecoming, let us know and we will try to help you locate them.

Some members have written us that the final notice for payment of 1987 dues was the only notice they received. Please excuse us as we are now entering all information on computer we obviously missed some. If there are any corrections, please let us know, we are trying to "get it right!"

SLEEPER VIDEO

A video of an interview of Miss Sleeper by some of the IHP students who received the Ruth Sleeper Scholarshiph as just been completed. We hope that at Homecoming we will be able to give you some times and dates for you to see the final product.

IN MEMORIAM

- 1917 Adelaide Adelia Mayo, on February 1, 1987, at Hanover, New Hampshire.
- 1917 Florence Pruyn Helbert, on March 17, 1987.
- 1922 Kathleen Atto, on October 13, 1986.
- 1922 Sister Ann E. Sarcka, on July 18, 1986.
- 1925 Dorothy Twombly, on September 7, 1986, at Dover, New Hampshire.
- 1926 Mildred Greene Beal, on November, 1986.
- 1939 Mary Elizabeth Finn, on September 23, 1986, at Great Barrington, Massachusetts.
- 1942 Inez Cardinali Ochs, on November 22, 1986, at Dover, New Hampshire.
- Jacquelyn Cate Hatfield, on September 24, 1986, at Salem, Massachusetts.
- 1947 Marjorie Blackwell Sullivan, on March 22, 1987, at Quincy, Massachusetts.
- 1959 Polly Parker Yates, on November 5, 1986, at Boston, Massachusetts.
- 1978 Donna Marie Hass, on February 1, 1987, at Amherst, Massachusetts.
- 1981 Sandra Ann Giampa Sawyer, on March 20, 1987, at Plaistow, New Hampshire.

Transcripts and copies of THE CENTENNIAL REVIEW are available through the office of Ms. Natalie Petzold which has moved to: Ruth Sleeper Hall, 40 Parkman Street, Boston, MA 02114.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

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Continuing Education Program

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THE NURSES' ROLE IN BEREAVEMENT

&

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SEPTEMBER 25, 1987

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DATE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1987

PLACE: SHRINERS BURNS INSTITUTE AUDITORIUM

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Reception sponsored by the MGH
Department of Nursing - 4:30 p.m.
Walcott Room, Wang Ambulatory Care

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\$15.00 NON-MEMBERS

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CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM

THE NURSES' ROLE IN BEREAVEMENT

What is Bereavement

Loss is loss - it's more than death

Grief is grief

The dynamics of loss and grief

The Nurses's role in the facilitation of normal grieving Differentiating normal from abnormal grief
The Nurses's role in facilitating abnormal grief

Recognition Intervention Referal

Occupational Stress in the Care of the Critically Ill, Dying, and Bereaved

A model of occupational stress

Personal variables

Demographic

Personality

Social support

Previous and concurrent stressors

Occupational Stressors in Nursing

Manifestations of stress - nursing

Coping strategies - nursing

OBJECTIVES

- 1. The participants will understand the major tasks of bereavement, the most common personal and interpersonal behaviours associated with bereavement and the nurses's role in facilitating normal grief.
- 2. The participants will understand the personal and environmental sources of occupational stress, the most common manifestations of stress and the coping mechanisms associated with successful adaptation to potentially stressful jobs.

THE SPEAKERS

MARY KAY HARRISON, RN, PhD (MGH 54)

Director of Rehabilitation, Whitby Psychiatric Hospital, Ontario, Canada. Consultant to the Palliative Care Team, St. Elizabeth's Visiting Nurses, Ontario, Canada. Extensive work and lecturing in the field of Bereavement.

MARY L. SUSLAK VACHON, RN, PhD (MGH 65)

Senior Mental Health Consultant and Research Scientist, Associate Professor, Departments of Psychiatry and Behavioral Science, University of Toronto, Canada. Nurse Consultant in Psychiatry, Princess Margaret Hospital, Ontario, Canada.

Extensive clinical work, lecturing, and publications in the field of life threatening illness, bereavement, and occupational stress - author of the newly published book: "Occupational Stress in the Care of the Critically III, Dying, and Bereaved."



Good News! MARY MORRIS BETE is alive and has corresponded with one of the class. She is living at 54 High St., Greenfield, MA 01301. We regret that we had been previously misinformed and had reported that she was deceased.

1937

We received word that although we had received mail returned and labeled "deceased", RUTH PIERCE is alive. She Alzheimers disease and has been in a New Hampshire Hospital for the past five years.

We received a note from MARY H. STAATS, Wolf Pen Spring, 30515 Rabbit Ridge Rd, Howard, OH 43028. She sounds happy and busy raising show Santa Gertrudes Cattle, publishing geneologies, and living at Wolf Pen, a station of the underground railroad to Canada during the Civil War, which is on the National historic register and has over 500 visitors vearly.

1941

Terry Yancey Conlon 83 Martland Ave. Brockton, MA 02401

To correct a couple of errors in my reunion write-up: JAN MONAGHAN, 55 Potomac St, W. Roxbury, MA 02132, is planning retirement yet; she's just

thinking about it.

And EBBA RUDINE RAY, P O Box 471, 772 Old Bass River Rd, Dennis, MA 02638, does not live on her grandfather's property. But someone told me they did. I should have taken notes on the phone calls I received to get my facts straight.

Ebba is feeling OK again but watches her diet because of the diverticulitis which kept her from reunion. ALICE RUSSELL DAVIDSON, 370 Los Milpas, Green Valley, AZ 85614, phoned Ebba and they plan to visit when Alice returns to Wellfleet this summer. MARY SPIES, 510 S. Normandie, Los Angeles, CA 90020, wrote that she has now recovered from a total hip replacement. A knee problem has subsided without replacement surgery. "And, miracles of miracles, I can now walk! No cane, crutches or walker. It is like being born again."

At the time of her writing, she was looking for a part-time job and planning to resume the joys of travel. Should I give her unlisted phone number? Yes. It's

213-387-7765.

WITHAM BENEDICT, 3436 Carolina St, San Pedro, CA 90731, sent news. She's been retired about six years after 15 years of E W activity. Husband Frank is still active in the Aerospace industry. They have two daughters; one a tennis "pro"; the other married with a four-year-old child.

"We live on a steep hillside overlooking Los Angeles harbor. Through my livingroom window I see ships from all over the world, a Marina and all kinds of smaller craft. It's a good and happy life." IRENE AHONEN SWANSON, 4153 S E Fairway E, Stuart, FL 33494, purchased a reunion photo and then wrote asking me to identify several. Fortunately, I'd bought a photo and so was able to help.

With our lousey winter and flooded Spring, we haven't yet lunched -Ebba; MARY SWEENEY CHASE, 21 Lyman Wheellock Rd, S Easton, 02375; PHYLLIS NOLAND GARLICK, RD #5, Box 123A, Plymouth, MA 01550; and me maybe one day soon?

1942

Gertrude Moynihan Latici Woodstock, CT

There is rarely news in bulletin about the class of '42. though I don't remember us as being a particularly quiet class. Now I am prompted to write by the death of a former roomate, INEZ CARDINALI OCHS. Inez passed away in November of cancer of the pancreas. She had retired from public health nursing the previous November and the diagnosis was made in January. In our many phone conversations last spring. summer and fall she never complained; just talked about how great it was to have husband Fred with her and the confort of her daughter, Mary-Anne, her husband and two grandchildren next door. She left her body to MGH research and requested, in lieu of flowers, donations to Halcyon Place, 27 Commonwealth Ave, Boston, MA Halcyon Place. understand it, provides rooms for the parents of children being treated at MGH.

1943

In an article from the Nashua Telegraph October, 1986 we learned that JEANNE STEER, 2 Berkeley St, Nashua, NH, was presented an award and named "New Hampshire Occupational Health Nurse of the Year" by the Schering Corporation for her outstanding contributions to her profession and the health care of her firm's employees. She is the supervisory nurse of the Digital Equipment Corporation.

1949

On January 14, 1987, Dr J Drennan Lowell, husband of RUTH TILLSON LOWELL, died. He had been an associate professor of orthopedic surgery at Harvard Medical School.

Ruth Stronach Henshaw 8790 S W 96th St Miami, FL 33176

News from 1986 Christmas cards. We hope to have a fun gathering (as Trudy said) for our 40th Reunion in 1989!

IRENE WEISSLINGER SWAN - all's well, still working in ice cream store, Son Dana didn't like the South and came back to live - that makes 2 still at home. Oldest son got married in May and still lives in VT.

JACKIE AUGER BROWN - Hope we can make our 40th reunion - just 3 more years! Went to Homecoming in Sept; no one else from Sept '49, but sat with 5 from Feb '49 - reminisced!

BARBARA STEVENS WRIGHT
-busiest summer and fall ever with
grandson Danny and home. They
had a wonderful trip to Canada
and are now planning a 16 day trip
in July to Alaska with a couple
from church.

TRUDY WALSH HYNES - Think it would be a fun gathering to make our 40th in 1989 at MGH. Trudy is Office Nurse for an Internist 2 times/week. Just Warren and she at home, outside Washington, D.C. DOT JOHNSON MC CANN - We should start planning our 40th. If Dot makes a trip to visit friends in Boca Raton, FL next year, she promises to call.

Received a card from EVELYN SMITH ADAMIC and two daughters Catherine and Margaret.

MARGARET MANNING and sister Mary both still enjoying retirement.

RUTH STRONACH HENSHAW - I still volunteer and am a member of Nurse Associates (a group of non-working RNs) at the Baptist Hospital of Miami. Bob bought a 23 ft Coachman Crusader Motor Home in December and is considering retirement next year.

RUTH STILLMAN FERNANDEZ - will have 5th grandchild this summer.

ANNA SPAHL HOFFMAN - is still nursing and Frank is still teaching. They had a new granddaughter in Aug., Beth's child, and a 3 year old granddaughter in KY, Susan's child.

MARY LIBBY MORRIS - husband and children are all fine, she still works 3-4 eves a week at Woburn Rehab, and is going to be a grandmother for the 2nd time the end of October (her daughter Ann, who was in the last MGHSON class). Libby saw DOT MC CANN on TV about water pollution in

Marshfield, and she heard from LYN POULTER RATCLIFF. Trudy also heard from PEGGY FRASER BENDER and MARY SCAHILL CHALLELA.

MARCH 1952

I'm sure that by now most of you have heard about BEVERLY THOREN's death in May, 1986. The response to the request for contributions for the MGHNAA in her memory was wonderful and surely indicative of our recognition of Beverly as a repected and loved member of our class. A donation of \$475.00 for this purpose was announced at Homecoming in Sept. and I understand that additional donations have been received since that time.

Following Homecoming I wrote to Beverly's family to tell them of our gift to the Alumnae Association in her memory. The following quotes are part of the letter I received from her mother and her sister Phyllis: "We were overwhelmed by the very generous donation of money by her class to the Alumnae Association in Beverly's memory. We appreciate the kindness of her many friends to remember Bev this way. It was such a large and loving gift and it brought tears for us. She loved those get togethers at Homecoming always relating about each one who came. Beverly's years at MGH were, we think, the best times of her professional career and the many friends made through her association there were very special and important to her. would you be able to send us the name and address of the person we might write a thank you not to?"

I felt this was the best way to share their expressions of appreciation and I will make sure that they receive a copy of this Alumnae Record.

Remember, this year is our 35th -WOW! and we are planning a big celebration. So, save Saturday, September 26, 1987. What better way could we remember Bev than to continue a tradition that she

nurtured so well for so many years. See you in September, DOTTIE MAHONEY

1955

In a note from JAN BOURGOIN BLAINE, we learned that ANNA BATTISTA MELLONI is working at the Lahey Clinic in Burlington as Nurse Clinician in Diabetes and enjoying a new James Joseph Melloni, darling comedic grandson. Film at 11:00.

BOBBY MC NEILL ROMEO is on her way to her doctorate according to her proud husband, James. He has recovered from by-pass surgery and says he's delighted to be alive. I must say he sounded like an athlete!

CATHY MILLETT CASHIN is still in Nashua, Supervising at one of the local hospitals and has joined the Grandma's Club, thanks to Sean Nicholas Castigliego who came along in March.

JEAN CAMPBELL TEAGUE is happily working, so often and such long hours that I was only able to speak with her daughter, Lisa.

AUDREY CHASE HULL and Courtland are in the Burlington area. I had a nice chat with her. Wesley, who was a class of 55-er in a manner of speaking has his own business now and has become a parent himself. Remember going to Woods Hole for their wedding? Looking forward to Homecoming in Sept. If anyone can help me update my information, please get in touch. All are invited to my place after the festivities in Boston.

September 1959

Patricia Friss Newnham 251 W Park Ave State College, PA 16803

At Christmas I heard from several classmates. JANE HARTWELL is working at a nursing home in Brockton. She sees MARY FURBER RAYMOND and MICKEY PERRY often and hoped to visit

with JACKIE FLYNN over the holidays, Jackie lives in Austin, TX. Jane was looking forward to a Barbados vacation in January.

MARGO JOHNSON TAYLOR and CAROL FRENCH PUBLICOVER sent cards, but no news. ELLIE TREINAS PREVOSKI wrote that her daughter Anne Louise was married in March, 1986 and is living in Ashland. Ellie's daughter Cyndy is a junior at Northeastern University School of Pharmacey. Ellie is still with the VNA and enjoys community health nursing. Ellie's mother passed away in November and she is missed sadly. MARY FURBER RAYMOND continues with school and public

health nursing. Her married daughter, Mary Beth, visited from Colorado over the holidays. Son, Mark, works with the Police department and Dan is at home. Al has been in a cardiac rehab program and is doing well.

MARY (MICKEY) PERRY has stopped working ICU and is doing Blood Pressure Clinics. Mary's youngest daughter will be 14 soon. LUCY BAKER HOFER traveled to FL, NM, AZ, and NH last year. Her mother has had several health problems but is doing better now and still drives. Lucy is working part time as Industrial Rehab Specialist and follows workman's Compensation and accident cases. She enjoys the flexible hours. Son, Davey, is growing fast and has a paper route.

DIANE FLOYD BAKER celebrated the New Year in a new home, 602 Ridgebury Rd, Ridgefield, 06877. Don is pastor at Ridgebury Congregational Church. Diane had some health problems in 1986 and hopes to reduce her busy schedule with a low-stress, part time job. Di's mother had open heart surgery and complications and daughter, Dale, is hospitalized so Di had a hectic year. Sue is a freshman at Trinity College in Hartford and Meri is taking her junior year abroad at U. of Exeter in England. Di and Don hope to visit her in March.

Newnham's continue to be busy and enjoy their new home near campus. Rosemary is a junior in high school and Randy a junior at Penn State. He and Bob were in Israel in January, 1987. He will study in W Germany Feb-June and meet us in Australia in August where Bob has 2 meetings. This past summer we had a wonderful trip to South Africa and England. We especially safari at Kruger enioved a National Park. All now, please keep the news coming!

March 1959

Mary Flannery Caira 19 Fuller Terrace West Newton, MA 02165

ALICE WRIGHT BURD. Kidmore Lane, Lanham, MD 20706, received a card from Alice, Miles

and Stephan.

GAIL KENT CLEMMER. Kirkland Ave, West Chester, PA 19380, is working full time and is completing her master's in psychotherapy. She is considering going on for her doctorate. David graduated from Rice University with degrees in Electrical engineering and Computer Sciences. He is working in Austin, TX and plans to attend grad school. Ellen is a junior in college and is working and playing hard. All of them enjoy summers at their Delaware shore home.

GENE SHAFFER CORCORAN. 6900 Fitzpatrick Dr, Laurel, MD 20810, continues her work at the Laurel Race Track, and with the Rescue Squad (15th year with this group). John continues as consultant at the Washington Navy Yard. Susan and son Christopher (now 3 years old) are living in Bethesda. She and Mike separated, and it looks like a permanent situation. JD is working with Northern Telecom in CA. Danny is a senior in high school and will continue his education in the MD area. They hosted a young man from Finland last summer, and had a great time showing him the area.

NANCY BASSETT CAMPBELL, 218

Harvard Dr, Torrington, CT 06790, quit her second management venture, and is now happily settled in as evening staff nurse on an 8 bed pain management unit. Belinda returned east and is living in Dover, NH, where Nancy went to high school. Andy works part time, goes to school part time, and also travels to NY to visit his girlfriend in college. He spends lots of time commuting! Ellen is a freshman at Souther CT Sate. Carrie is looking forward to college and is working in dietary at a local hospital.

MARILYN THAYER COTE, Rte 782, Purcellville, VA 22132, called me in December! I had last talked to her in Dec., 1977! She is working as a contract employee at Xerox in Leesburg, VA, in an employee health clinic. She was here in the Boston area for orientation for pulmonary function testing at Harvard School of Public Health. Her oldest son is a systems analyst. Another son is newly married and in the Air Force. Two daughters are married and two children are still in school. expects two grandchildren summer. Her parents, now 84 and 86, are in FL., but are not doing well.

ROSLYN RUGGIERO ELMS, 1212 Fordham Dr, Davis, CA 95616.

ELAINE FINLEY FLANAGAN, 92 Old Field Rd, N Chatham, MA 02658.

AMANDA MC CRAE FULIRO, Box 77E, RD #1, Blairstown, NJ 07825. JAMIN SCHOFIELD GUARINO, 283 High St, Hingham, MA 02043.

MAXINE CLARK HYBARGER, 335 Henderson Dr, San Jose, CA 95123. BARBARA KING HEMINGWAY, 24 Alberta Rd, Brookline, MA 02167. ELEANOR DYER HAMILTON, Queensland Rd, N Billerica, MA 01862.

SUZANNE SEYMOUR KEOHANE, 1818 Ridgeway, Colorado Springs, CO 80906.

RUTH FIFE MANN, Carter Hill Rd, Canterbury, NH 03224, is working a the County Home. Martha lives in Portland and is in College for a BA in Communications. Doug is stationed in Dayton, OH with the Air Force. Rebecca graduates from

college majoring in Hotel Management. Ruth keeps a small flock of sheep and Ginger keeps busy updating and remodeling the house.

JUDITH PALMER MUGGIA. Dartmouth St, Winchester, MA 01890, her Christmas greetings was a wonderful assortment of pictures of the family in various New England areas. Young Al is in residency at Duke. Will is assistant vice-president at Kidder. Frank is in law school. She enjoyed trips to Italy and Phoenix. Her dad died in February, 1986 after a long illness. Her mom continues to do well still volunteers every Friday at MGH.

MARY JANNINO ROMEO, 4 Stephanie St, Burlington, MA 01940.

MARY DUGGAN ROY, 11 Beech St, Weston, MA 02193.

ROBERTA FITZGERALD SNYDER, 20 Sutton Place South, NY, NY 10022.

The CAIRA'S - We are all well. Mike has just produced another successful show for St Jean's. Michael continues with work and Choral Society. Chris is engaged to marry Tara in September, 1988. been accepted Maria has colleges for Sept and will probably attend Framingham State. I have completed my Masters Program. I resigned from my position in April, and am currently working for an agency awaiting another position. I left the Nursing Home for a variety of reasons.

It was a delight to hear from those of you who called or wrote. May I reming you that we will celebrate our 30th Anniversary in 1988. Would love to relive the 1983 ventures!

1962

In a note from JACQUELINE LIBBY DEXTER, 525 Holly Ave, St Paul, MN 55102, she said she works as a clinical nurse specialist at the Hennepin City Mental Health Center. She is married and has a 17 year old daughter and a 14 year old son. She also said that

1966

HELENA THERESE MC DONOUGH has begun a full scope Nurse-Midwifery practice at 106 Main Street, Wareham, MA with LAURA CLANCY MURPHY (77) and Drs. Finegold and Chu. They are the first CNMS in this area and the first CNMS to have delivery priviledes at Toby Hospital.

1969

In a press release from the Center for Devices and Radiological Health of the Food and Drug Administration Public Health Service, we learned of the promotion of ELIZABETH JANE MC CARTHY to the rank of Nurse Officer in the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps. She is a Nurse Anesthetist Consultant. She lives in Silver Springs, MD with her husband, Rodney White.

HEIDI L. BEUCKER, 429 N. Negley Ave, Pittsburgh, PA has been inducted into Sigma Theta Tau, Eta Chapter of the University of Pittsburgh.

1977

LAURA CLANCY MURPHY has joined the OB-GYN practice of Drs. Finegold and Chu as a Nurse-Midwife. She will work with HELENA MC DONOUGH (66) in a full scope nurse-midwifery practice as the first CNMS to have delivery priviledges at Toby Hospital. The practice is Suite 8, 106 Main St, Wareham, MA.

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^{*}Please give husband's name, e.g., Mrs. John H. Jones

Remember to send us your news!

Season's Greetings



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Memo to contributors: Material should be sent not later than April 1st, for the Spring/Summer RECORD; October 1st for the Fall/Winter issue.

The tradition that was started last year with a two day event continued this year. Many of those attending Homecoming started the weekend on Friday at the MGH by attending a CEU program on "Occupational Stress and The Nurses Role in Bereavement." We were fortunate to have Mary Suslak Vachon ('65) as the speaker and from all of the evaluations everyone in attendance thought the program was exceptional. Regrettably, the other speaker scheduled was not able to join Mary due to illness. We all missed hearing Mary Kay Harrison ('54) share her expertise in the area of bereavement. Immediately following the program there was a reception in the Wang Ambulatory Care Center sponsored by the Department of Nursing. For many of the reunion classes this was the beginning of the social events of the weekend.

Saturday at the Howard Johnson "57" the business meeting started the day. Margaret Carson Gilmour ('62) was the program speaker continuing the topic of the weekend. Once again the reviews were superb. There were over 250 Alumnae members at the program and luncheon.

The Association honored the reunion classes and some special people at the luncheon with small gifts. And the Association wants to thank those reunion classes that generously contributed class gifts. The classes of 1937, 1947, and 1962 all contributed to the Association.

It was wonderful to see everyone and thanks to all who attended and made the day such a success - we all are looking forward to next year.

HOMECOMING '88
To be held
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REMEMBER:
The Homecoming information is only sent to those who are active members of the Alumnae. If you are starting to plan for next September, make sure that all of your classmates join or plan on getting the info out to them yourself. The office can get you a list of classmates.





ALUMNAE PRESIDENT

The Alumnae Board has had the pleasure of participating in a number of events over the past year. Old and new projects continue to receive necessary attention.

Our good relationship with the MGH Institute of Health Professions continues. In November, 1986, the Ruth Sleeper Scholarship was presented. At graduation in May, the Adele Corkum Award was given to Helene Quinn. We welcomed the new graduates into the Alumnae. We plan to continue to give these awards over the next year.

The board approved the appointment of Linda Lass-Schuhmacner as Historian, Representative to the Endowment Fund, and Representative to the MGHIHP. The Alumnae has participated in a number of programs and displays in cooperation with the Department of Nursing at MGH. Alumnae information and artifacts have been shared with many.

Homecoming planning has consumed uncountable hours of time and talent of many board members. It is no small task to prepare for this event. In addition to this, we presented a Continuing Education Program on September 25th with a Department of Nursing sponsored reception in the Wang Ambulatory Care Center following. Homecoming for next year will take place at the Howard Johnson "57" on September 24, 1988.

Plans to gather a historical collecion of Alumnae artifacts, tapes, etc. have been greatly enhanced by a number of factors. The Ruth Sleeper Video is approaching completion. We have viewed, with pleasure, the preliminary tape. Yvonne Munn, Director of Nursing at MGH, has appointed Ruin Farrisey as consultant to begin the documentation of the history of nursing at the hospital. hope to work with them on this project. Also, we have recently been contacted by Florentine Films, who are producing a film for PBS on the History of the American Nurse. We will be giving them imput for this project.

I am truly grateful to all members of the Board for their support, time and contributions to a fruitful year. We could not have functioned without the able assistance of our secretary, Lee Drago, and the wonderful volunteers in the office.

Mary Flannery Caira President

ANNUAL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

September 27, 1986

- The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. by Mary Caira, President.
- 2. The minutes of the September 27, 1986 Business Meeting were read and accepted.

3. The reports were given by the President, other officers and alumnae secretary.

4. The Endowment Fund Committee reported that the wording of the Fund needed updating, a motion was secured and passed to ammend the current Fund Statement by changing the wording from "MGHSON" to the "MGHIHP".

5. The election results were reported:

Vice-President
Jeannette Blaine '55
Treasurer
Catherine H. Boyd '52
Board of Directors
Ann Horrigan '68
Carolyn Thayer '62
Nominating Committee
Mary Fischer '75

Meeting adjourned at 10 a.m. Respectfully submitted, Mary Caira

ALUMNAE SECRETARY

Five hundred thirty-seven members have generously contributed a total of \$12699 to the 1987 Fund Drive.

We are pleased to welcome new members. present membership is 1147 including 74 complimentary members. Reports have reached us of 39 deaths. Although our computer has enabled us to quickly update addresses, we still receive a large percentage of mail returned because of address changes. Whether or not you a member of Alumnae Association, please keep in touch with us with news items, address changes, etc. We love to hear from you.

Special thanks go to our volunteers, Marjorie Richardson, Miriam Huggard, Evelyn Lawlor, my co-worker Alma Robbins, all the class representatives and members of the Board for their unselfish assistance during this busy year.

Respectfully submitted, Eligia M. Drago, Secretary

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

On Saturday, September 27, 1986, at the Howard Johnson "57", William Shipley, MD discussed "Intra-Operative Radiation Therapy" and Ena Chang, RN discussed "The Role of the Nurse in Radiation Therapy."
On Friday, September 25, 1987, at the Shriners Burns

On Friday, September 25, 1987, at the Shriners Burns Institute, Mary Vachon RN, PhD, spoke on "The Nurses' Role in Bereavement and Occupational Stress."

Respectfully submitted Mary Caira, Chairperson

ALUMNAE RECORD

Two issues of the Record were distributed this past year. It has been a good year with a fair amount of news being sent in by members but as usual we are still in need of your ideas. Don't forget we need your news - this is your magazine.

Linda Lass-Schuhmacher Chairperson/Editor

RUTH SLEEPER SCHOLARSHIP

At the annual reception for the MGH Institute of Health Professions Nursing Students in November, 1986, the Ruth Sleeper Scholarship was given to a second year student who excelled in both the theory and practice of nursing. Michelle Renaud was the recipient of this years' award. The members of her class seemed very pleased with the selection. Miss Sleeper made the presentation.

Respectfully submitted Ann M. Cahill, Chairperson

ANNABELLA McCRAE LOAN FUND

Six applications were received over the past year. Two \$1500 loans were granted as four applicants received the Scholarships.

Carolyn Thayer chairperson

SALLY JOHNSON/FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIPS

There were just four applications this year to the scholarship committee. All were awarded scholarships but one was returned because the school of nursing applied to had just been closed. The recipient of the Johnson Scholarship was Deborah Sacco Mindnich '74 - BSN candidate. The recipients of the Fullerton Scholarships were: Donna Slicis '81 - BSN candidate

and Sandra Silvestri '76 -BSN candidate.

Each scholarship is \$1500. To apply, please obtain a scholarship application from the Alumnae Office and submit it before May 1st. You must be an active member of the Alumnae and a full time student for the semester succeeding the scholarship award. Preference is given to those nurses pursuing their degree in Nursing, but not limited The Scholarship to that. Funds are in a healthy state and we hope more members will be applying.

Marlene Norton, chairperson

TREASURER'S REPORT OCTOBER 1, 1987

Balance Jan.1, 1987 \$28110.15

Receipts:

dues: \$ 5538.00 misc: \$ 5461.00 fund: \$11904.36

int.: \$ 925.25 \$23828.61

Balance: \$51938.76

Disbursements: \$21977.54

BALANCE: \$29961.22

Annabella McCrae Loan Fund

(Mutual Bank)

Balance Jan. 1, 1987 \$7269.63

Receipts: \$ 4545.02 Interest: \$ 658.13

Transfers:\$13187.47 Gift: \$ 1500.00 \$19890.62

Total \$27160.25
Disbursements: \$4500.00

BALANCE: \$22660.25

Sally Johnson Scholarship Fund

Balance Jan. 1, 1987 \$7221.02

Felicia Fullerton Scholarship

Balance Aug. 30, 1987 \$6930.17

Disbursements: \$3000.00

Interest transfers: \$ 352.00

BALANCE: \$4282.17

Certificate accounts \$40491.51

Lottie Potts Fund

BALANCE \$2045.83

Abby Denison Hawes Memorial

BALANCE \$6346.93

Fidelity Cash Reserve Account

BALANCE \$9239.39

Many thanks to all of you who share your time and volunteer to work with the Alumnae and agree to run for office. The nominating committee is always interested in hearing from you if you are willing to become more active.

Some members have written us that the materials being sent out from the Alumnae office are not being received. Please note we are trying to keep the records accurately updated but we need you to help by sending us all of the changes. And if you have any changes or information on other classmates send that along as well.

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HOSPICE THE ART AND SCIENCE OF CARE FOR THE DYING

Margaret Carson Gilmour, RN, MS (MGH '62) Executive Director Community Hospice of Greater Nashua

What I would like to do today is take a look at Hospice history, some of the past, some of the present, and hopefully a little bit of the future. We will look at hospice nursing as an art and as a science because I think to ably care for the dying people we have to use our scientific skills as well. We will spend a little bit of extra time on pain control and then look at hospice as a team concept. We are a health care team and we are society that needs to work together if we are to provide care.

THE HISTORY OF HOSPICE

Is this a new idea? Good grief no, we've been caring for the dying forever but the word itself has a very very old root. It's root is a latin word that means both host and guest. It implies both giving and receiving. It implies an interchange and hospitality. In nedieval times hospices were way-stations, places where people could go and be refreshed and be nourished and promoted on to their trip. Monestary hospices were places where the chronically ill were cared for and the dying were tended. It was not until the later part of the 19th centurey that hospice as a concept of caring for the dying came into being. In the later part of the 1800's the Irish Sisters of Charity began a hospice program. They opened Our Lady's Hospice in Dublin and then in 1905 they opened St. Joseph's Hospice which really has been the prototype for many of the hospices that we see today. I think littled did those gentle, caring and compassionate nursing sisters appreciate in the early 1900'sd that they were to be a model that was going to influence the lives of millions of dying people particularly through out the Western world. I think we have understand that the care at St Joseph's was not the norm and I think we need to look at our society and see what was happening in the early and mid 20th century. We were seeing changes that were unknown by any previous standards. When we look at the massive changes that have taken place over the past 25 years it is like a whole new world: with rapid changes and advances in chemotherapy and mechanical abilities, organ transplants, people getting artificial parts. I think that maybe the health care system, which is often a leader in societal goings on, got a litle bit

tantalized with the idea that we could keep death at bay. That, coupled with our society, which became and I think still is youth obsessed, fitness obsessed, beauty obsessed and the fact that we chaged our homes, our residence, has made a major impact. I live in a 200 year old farmhouse and off the kitchen is a morning room. That is a little tiny room that is next to the warmth of the kitchen where people were born, the elderly were brought when they were dying, and the ill were tended. This never happens in modern day condominium! Birth and death became so far removed from our everyday lives that it became easy to put it out of our minds. When I talk about my 200 year old farmhouse it brings to mind one of the patients we had in our hospice program: a real crusty old New England farmer who lived not too far down the street from me. I went to see him and he said with great pride "Did you know that I was born in this room?" and he was set up with hospital bed, oxygen, and his family around. I said "yes and I think, that's wonderful that you are back here." He said "and I intend to die in this room." And although we are very careful in hospice not to make a place of death a goal, I must say there was a part of me that was rooting for this one. I mean I just really wanted it to work our and it did . It gives you a real sense of completion of a cycle when you can look and see that someone comfortably is dying in the room in which they were born. But this is certainly not the norm, his was a lucky and unusual situation.

If institutionalization put death out of mind, I think we really went overboard and got to the point where we didn't even have to call death by name any more and certainly these are the sort of words that we all seem to use, comfortably and often very appropriately. I personally don't want to just "pass away". People "pass on", they "step our", they "check out", and if we are into more slang and being a bit flip people talk about "kicking the bucket." Often people are "lost", I had a really devoted elderly couple. The man took care of his wife very wonderfully and tenderly and gave her extremely good care for the last years of her life. They were also a couple for whom their faith was a very important part of both their lives and their relationship. He was very active in the church so at her wake and funeral there was a big crowd of well wishers because all had known this elderly couple for many years. I went up to him at that kind of receiving line at the church and said "how are you doing Mr. Smith?" He said "I'll tell you how I'm doing - if one more person comes up to me and says to me 'I'm so sorry you've lost your wife' I'm going to smack them. My wife isn't lost. I know exactly where she is

- my wife has died." And then the word "expire" - this is the health care, hospital term and I've always wondered how we got on to that because you know magazine subscriptions "expire" but people die and it is interesting that we let our plants "die", we put our animals "to sleep", but as we get closer to ourselves we don't die we "expire" or something.

But as the rest of people in society were ignoring death, what was happening to those people who would be with themselves facing death. Many of us know or remember with terrible knots in our stomachs how the dying were isolated and how they were often subjected to yet more and painful procedures, often procedures that were debilitating and really adding little or indeed subtracting from the quality of life. I think that by our own denial of death in society and in health care we refuse to allow these people to tell us what they need, we were unable to listen and we could not share their thoughts and we could not hear what was absolutely the foremost thing on their mind and that was that they were coming to the end of their lives. I think what happens, and I think human beings are wonderful in this respect, that when a system gets seriously out of sync, when it really goes awry, people start to say that there is something wrong, they start to mobilize, and take action. Leaders start to emerge and people are ready and anxious to follow and to learn. I think this is just what happened in the hospice movement. We are talking, you realize, about really a very young movement, with a very young history, except for the early fore runners - the people who just did what they knew was right.

The first modern day hospice was in 1967, now that is only 20 years ago, and that means that most of us in this room have really been a part of history in the making. The first hospice was St Christopher's Hospice in London, founded by Dame Cicely Saunders. The first hospice in our country was the Connecticut Hospice in Bramford near New Haven in 1974. Some very acctive people from that area had done a lot of teaching and forwarded this hospice care in our country. It is gratifying to me to note that like many of our good traditions, the concept of hospice came across the ocean and settled in New England first. According to the National Hospice Organization statistics, in 1987 there were 1683 hospice programs in the United States. take various models: community based hospice programs free standing independent units or that work in conjuction with other agencies in the city (this is the type of program with which I am affiliated), home health agencies of VNA

hospice programs - a large percent of hospice work is of course done in the home so that home health care agencies seen to be the natural place to put a hospice program, and then many hospitals have their own either palliative care units or palliative care teams that may work in conjuction with an already existing hospice or may be independent. Palliative care is synonomous, for all intense and purposes, with hospice care - it means comfort care. But you will see particularly in your community some kind of hospice and the numbers have been increasing at a rate of about 100 per year for the past few years.

When you have a new meovement, or people become involved in something, leaders emerge. There are many well known leaders and teachers in the hospice movement. I think that for the sake of history it is important to look at some of the really famous and the people who were the break thru artists in directing our attention and thoughts. Dame Cicely Saunders, who is often called the founder of modern day hospice in that she began Christopher's. I am a big reader of biographies and love to read how people got to where they got, she was an interesting woman. She began her health care career as a nurse, and I think that that has been able to give her a nursing perspective on caring for people as they near the end of their life. She was born into an upper class British family and much like Florence Nightingale wanted to do something and vet was not always looked upon favorable by her parents. She persevered and finally entered St Thomas's school of nursing. She soon found that she liked working with the terminally and chronically ill, but she had a chronic back condition and it was physically hard for her so she went on to become a social worker (an attender as it was called in Great Britain). Being drawn to work with the terminally ill she began to do some volunteer work and in a way she was one of the first hospice volunteers as she was not there in a nursing capacity but rather to sit and talk to people or more importantly to listen. She ultimately went on to medical school and became a physician. She became a teacher in pain and symptom control because of her frustration with health care professionals inability to control symptoms. We had learned very early that without relief from the distressing symptoms and primarily the pain that often accompanies terminal illness there could be no quality of life. In the early days and continuing now in her elderly years, she has been a real teacher on a multidisciplinary level for people who want to do hospice work in a scientific way.

Dr. Elizabeth Keubler Ross was a real break thru

person in that she was able to sit down and talk to people that many of us are afraid to, it really is scary to walk into a room and sit and talk to someone who you know is not going to live much longer. she too had an interesting background. She was born in Switzerland and was always an activist. When she immegrated to the United States she worked in psychiatry teaching medical students and other hospital personel. The chaplancy students asked her for help with a project in dealing with people who were frightened. She began to work with the dving and went to the wards and the private physicians who had patients at a very large Chicago hospital. Some of the nurses reacted in horror that she would want to sit and talk to people and ask them what it was like to be in their situation. She got her positive reinforcement from the people she was allowed to see. When they could talk over their fears and concerns. she could learn and help their families. She was renourished and went on with her teaching and motivational way.

Mother Theresa is at the top of the list and is certainly a hospice worker although not generally called by that name. She clearly lives and works on the hospice philosophy. I read recently in the New York Times that she had petitioned the Soviet government to open a home in Chernoble for those people who will ultimatly succumb to the effects of the nuclear disaster. I do not know how they responded to her but I can not believe it would be anything but positive.

What have these and other leaders in hospice taught the rest of us nurses about the science of hospice care? As I said earlier there certainly can be no quality to life when there is extreme physical distress. That becomes the primary focus. I think it is real important, actually vital, that hospice nurses be able to work with and manage the distressing symptoms. Many of the people we work with by definition have terminal cancer and may of these are the symptoms that are related to cancer. Certainly that is not the only type of people that you find in a hospice program. We have people with end stage COPD, we have had three people in my area in the last two years with ALS which is quite a large number, certainly the AIDS epidemic which has not hit the New Hampshire area in the great numbers as some urban areas.

Many of the symptomatology is apparent in any people who come towards the end of their life. The terrible feeling of fatigue which is terribly frustrating and very difficult for people when they feel chromically tired all of the time.

Shorness of breath which is an awful symptom,

distressing to people, distressing to families. The hospice nurse must deal with the anxiety and shortness of breath to help patient and family. It is a terrible anxiety provoking time for the family when someone is clearly getting sicker right before your eyes. The restlessness, the inability to sit and be with people is very disconcerting to people and disconcerting to the family. Then we get down to really understanding and working with our bag of nursing tricks that we learned well and that we have to continue to do well.

Incontinence, which can be a terrible symptom for people, one of the things people tell us that they fear about facing death is the loss of control. Loss of control in their environment and loss of control in everything and when you get down to basics, incontinence is a loss of control of bodily functions. This can be an awful symptom that we have to work on.

Skin breakdown: most of our care is done in the home and this is really something that we have to strive for all the time. These sound like very basic nursing things but I think that is what it is, that is the basis of hospice - to do these things and do them well will make a difference for people who are at the end of their lives.

Nausea and vomitting are the big bugaboos which may be from disease or from the treatment create a stressor and again we have to look diligently to causes to help with possible treatments. There is nothing worse than if you are nauseated or vomitting and your mouth is dry. To help families understand how to give this basic care in a way that is most beneficial to the patients comfort is the key.

Loss of appetite: I swear I am going to write a book called "Food, Glorious Food" and give it to every spouse and every parent of someone who is terminally ill because this is one of the biggest bones of contention between patient and family. It becomes a real source of a lot of the anxiety that goes with caring for someone who is terminally ill.

Pain: clearly pain is the most distressing and the most feared of all of the symptoms that face people with chronic or advanced cancer. Pain has gotten a lot of attention lately. It is an unpleasant sensory and emotional experience and I think anybody who has had pain knows that. What is it that is important for the hospice nurse to know about pain? First of all, she needs to be a crackerjack at doing a pain history. This is particularly true for nurses who work in home care, where people are often, by the fact that they are immobilized by their disease, not readily able to get to the physicians office. She needs to do an accurate

and thorough pain history to find out what the pain is really like: how severe it is, what makes it worse, what makes it better, what impact does it have on their life does it effect sleep, mood, activity, and what has been used (drugs) in the past that worked or did not work, what are they using currently, the dose, was it given round the clock or p.r.n., and is it working or not at the present time. We have a lot of control over this in the hospital but the patient is in control in the home and we need to know what they have been doing with what we thought we taught them. From the patients point of view, if they think it is not going to work it will not work and so it is really important to understand their point of view and the efficacy of the medication. I think that many of us who work in long term care facilities or with the terminally and chronically ill are familiar with the chronic pain cycle: if you are anxious you are afraid, if you are afraid you are hostile, if you are hostile you are probably lonely because who wants to go and sit with a hostile person, if you are lonely you are depressed, if you are depressed you are not sleeping very well, if you are not sleeping very well you are lying awake anticipating pain (or the other way around). It seems very reasonable and sensible that the place to break this chronic pain cycle is at the pain level. If you can stop the pain you can make a real impact on many of the other factors that are going on with the person.

It is important to understand the causes of pain. As an unsophisticated nurse my response was that if a patient has cancer then of course they have pain and that was the end of that. Sloane Kettering's study which was pretty encompassing showed that 70% of cancer pain was from the cancer itself, that means there is 30% that is not related to the cancer. Treatment caused 22% and 6.5% was due to unrelated causes. We have to remember that people with terminal disease also have arthritis, toothaches, and sore throats. Many times the pain is multi-causal that is it has more than one cause and we have to treat it on more than one level. I think it is vital that the hospice team attempt to discover the causes of the pain so that we can do what works best, scientifically. Pain can be of different types: acute pain (even those who are terminal may have the same acute pain post surgery that any other patient would have), chronic non-malignant pain (arthritis), or chronic malignant pain from the cancer. It is important as health care workers when working with people with pain that we understand the principles of keeping the patient in control and this is where sometimes in the hospital we fall down and take the control ourselves. The pain needs to be prevented rather than treated. We need to focus on the whole family and what are the aggravating factors. Utilize the team approach: I can't stress enough that hospice is a team concept. It uses multiple methods to modify the disease, to modify the perception of pain, interrupt the transmission of pain, and if needed modify life styles to interfer with severe pain. Listen to the patient and use the history to not overlook the obvious, and never use placebos on someone when you are trying to rearrange their pain medication schedule.

Some of the commonly used drugs: KIS Method (Keep It Simple) - when you have mild pain use a mild analgesic. and we all know that aspirin and tylenol work very well and we don't have to get anymore complicated than that; when you have moderate pain you go to a moderate form of pain control like the oxycodos or some people prefer to put straight codeine into this category; and then for severe pain you move to a severe pain group of narcotics and generally morphine or similar. Heroin is not legal for pain control in this county nor do I think there is any reason for it to be, as we certainly have very adequate tools for pain control by using morphine. Medications work best if given freely, given on time, given without hesitation, and without concern for addiction. Demerol has probably no place in the treatment of chronic terminal pain but it is a very good drug for acute pain. Codeine is a great drug except as you increase the dose you increase the side effects, when you take too much you throw up. When the drugs stop working the team needs to reevaluate. It is time to switch when the drug is being taken round the clock, when the frequency equals the duration, and when the dose has been increased to the maximum analgesic benefit of that drug, or if the patient has lost faith in the drug. Remember the patient is in control and in charge. The SWG Method (Simple Wild Guess) to get the correct dose work until you get the dose that works, if it doesn't work it is not right.

Morphine is a great drug, it's simple and pure but it has gotten a bad reputation on the street and a lot of us have some left over mythology that we carry around with us as nurses. We need to get rid of the myths. Morphine when given p.o. does not cause significant respiratory depression - when you are in pain and under the stress of pain that is a great counter to any respiratory depression that you might find. Tolerance is not a problem with p.o. morphine. Yes, you do have to increase doses, but that is not a problem. The initial drowsiness when first started is ofen because they have been in such pain that they have

not been sleeping well even if they have been sleeping a lot and this can discourage them because they say that they may not be in pain but they are also not awake. They look at it as a trade off and they need help to understand that the initial drowsiness does go away. Oral morphine can be increased to doses of up to 100 mg with the patient still able to sit and talk. It is important to increase the strength and dose because we have no right to let people remain in pain. By using the oral route as much as possible we allow the patient to remain in control and make it easier for the family if they are at home, and never use p.r.n. for pain meds. If we can erase their pain memory by giving them medication around the clock they never have to play catch up to get rid of that pain. I think nurses are so eager to do something that it is easy to look to medication but it is vital to note that we use narcotics only as a part of treatment. This is only one of the things in our bag of tricks and there are a lot of other things we have to keep in mind when we are trying to relieve pain.

If understanding and managing pain and symptoms is the science of hospice care, the science of what we as nurses can do. What is the art? What does it take to be a nurse that works in hospice? In a global sense the nurse who works with people who are dying needs to have great attention to detail, it makes all the difference. The nurse needs to be able to assess and understand family dynamics this is a key in caring for the person whether they are in the hospital or at home because it impacts on everything. We focus on the family as a unit of care and it is interesting to walk into a room and meet a family for the first time and start to see how they are relating to their person and with each other and how they respond to this crisis and this stress of a dying person suddenly in the midst of them. Sometimes we need help in understanding the dynamics and that is why we need to go to our peers and supervisors and talk about it because we align ourselves very quickly with the patient or primary caretaker and we need to know what is happening with the rest of the family.

We need to be able to let our patients sit and be able to move very slowly. Many of you who work in long term care or hospice know the absolute importance of being gentle in your work and most of all, we listen, and we listen, and we listen and that is really the essence of the art of caring for the people who are dying. They will tell us what they want, they will tell us what they need and we must be able to sit and hear it and this is very difficult for many of us who are nurses because we are doers and we

are fixers - we want to make it all better - we want to be a helper and yet what we need to do is listen and sit on our hands. It is so hard to sit on your hands and not try to make it all better. I think that one of the reasons that the hospice volunteer has become such an important part of the hospice movement is this very reason. Volunteers are vital and nurses make great hospice volunteers. Many have said to me that as a volunteer they get to do the things they wanted to do but never had the time to do. The concept of a team is vital to the hospice movement and hospice care and the ability of a volunteer to be an integral part of that team. In fact, it is mandated by medicare that you have volunteers and that they carry a certain percentage of the workload. The team is a circle not a hierarchy nurses, therapists, social workers, pharmacists, clergy, funeral directors, dieticians, physicians, and others (could be any one at all based on the patient). It is vital that the team members be determined by the patient and the family.

IN MEMORIAM

- 1921 Katharine E. Peirce, on August 14, 1987, at Woburn, Massachusetts.
- Mary A. Canning, on September 4, 1987, at Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.
- 1924 Ella Scott Perrine, on April 1, 1987.
- 1924 Kathleen Logan, on September, 1987.
- 1926 Blanche Littlefield James, on February, 1987.
- 1927 Helen Louise Baker, on August 30, 1987, at Brattleboro, Vermont.
- 1928 Gradys Howe Bramhall, on February 2, 1987.
- 1930 Naomi Currier Lyons, on March 22, 1987.
- Louise Hollister Benton, on July 6, 1987, at Worcester, Massachusetts.
- 1939 Isabel Marshall Skarp, on May 11, 1987.
- 1941 Marion Clason Lampson, on October, 1982.
- Betty Jones Congdon, on September 7, 1986, at Norwich, Connecticut.
- Mary Kay Harrison, on October 30, 1987, at Port Hope, Ontario, Canada.

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We received a note from EVA WALDRON thanking us for the Alumnae news and information. She was 99 years old on September 30, 1987. She tells us that she does not travel much anymore as she finds it difficult since her CVA three years ago which left her needing a walker to get around.

1917

In a short note from MARY WILLIAMS we learned that she is well and active and interested in hearing from anyone else in the class of '17.

1924

HELEN BUCKNER SIMONSON writes that she is moving to Athens, GA, 1093 King's Mill Run. She has had a happy retirement but it's time for a change. She is 85 and her son wants her to live with him.

We received the following letter from Calvin Perrine the husband of ELLA DRUSILLA PERRINE:

It grieves me that your member ELLA DRUSILLA PERRINE passed away April 1, 1987. She attended a reunion a few years ago and had such a very pleasant time with her old friends. She had enjoyed life to the fullest, becoming a school system nurse, and expert in bridge, sewing, and keeping an immaculate home. When our son arrived she helped send him to Princeton. Later he was awarded a Sloan Scholarship in business administration, during his ten years on the Apollo Project at NASA in Houston.

She will be with you in spirit and I enclose a check for the benefit of the MGH Nurses in her memory.

1928

The husband of KATHERINE CLARK ERNST, Richard, passed away on March 22, 1987.

1937

Agnes Lang Reynolds 108 Pawtuxet Rd Plymouth, MA 02360

The 50th reunion of the class of 1937 was fun: The February section was attended by 14 and the September section by 21 including 3 of our Simmons group. Some of us arrived on Friday night and settled into our hotel rooms, and tried to catch up with news of activities and families, many of us had not seen each other for all those 50 years! In seperate groups we went out for dinner and found our way around the new Boston. Our special breakfast was at 9 a.m.

and by then all 30 were present and giving accounts of their lives since 1937 when we parted. Professionally we gave a good account! The meeting for all alumnae was prior to the luncheon, which was attended by 34 of us. To date the class has collected \$460.00 as a contribution to the Alumnae Fund Drive.

Those present from the February Section: LAURIANNE BEAUDETTE GRAHAM - GA FLORENCE KORPELLA WATKINS - GA ESTHER ALLEN PALMER - VT DOROTHY MAGOON DUDLEY - VT FLORENCE PERRY CAREY - VT DEAN HUSSEY HOUTER - FL ANY BULL BRIGHAM - FL MARIAN HOWLAND HUNT - NH CATHERINE LEONARD CROTTY - NH JOSEPHINE ECCLES MINER - CT BEATRICE ROY HORSFORD - CT SUSAN ROBBINS GROFF - CT MARJORIE BURKE RICHARDS - MA MARIAN DECKER GIBSON - MA AGNES MALONE COTTER - MA ELEANOR ZEIG HUNT - OH MARY STAATS - OH Those present from the September Section: GRACE TAYLOR MC GAUGHEY - NY ETHEL CARLTON KIESS - NY MARY COLE STETSON - NH PEARL WHITE HEMSWORTH - NH MARTHA THAYER LOMARTINE - NH FLORA ABBOTT - CA GEORGIA SHULL VANDERSLOOT - CA VIRGINIA KIDDER DENTON - TX FAITH BAILEY THIBBETS - FL BLANCHE JUKINS ZANIEWESKI - MA FLORENCE BREEN LARRACEY - MA RITA CALLAHAN WHEELOCK - MA Those present from Simmons Section: LOIUSE EVAS ALLISON CLAIRE DRECHSEL KELLEY ELIZABETH SMITH HOLIDGE

The committee thaat enjoyed getting the whole thing together included: EVELYN CURLEY KING, ADRIAN FIELDS WILLIAMS, MURIEL SIMPSON MAC APEE, ELVA SAWYER PROCTOR, and AGNES LANG REYNOLDS.

The deceased in our class were remembered by a moment of silence:

MABEL CROWE SIAS
ELIZABETH CULL
BARBARA DORMIN
BARBARA JIPSON LYONS
CLARISSA PETERS ALLEN
VIRGINIA STILPLEY WING
WILLA TOMLINSON DOWNER







ANN FULTON BICKUM HELEN ZICKELL MARGARET MAHONEY BLOOD INA GERRISH BEAN ETHEL MC CULLOUGH SULLIVAN

1939

ISABEL MARSHALL SKARP passed away on May 11th from a brain tumor according to a note from her husband.

1942

ELVA MC QUADE MC KEAN

Hi classmates:

Forty-five years later - how time does fly! Three children and 9 grandchildren for Glen and me, and our 45th anniversary coming in March, '88. Still nursing and throughly enjoying Home Health Nursing in Florida on a so-called part-time basis. Very satisfying and often challenging, but

never never boring. Lots of chance for teaching.

A side light: Am working with the American Diabetes Association. Established a chapter in 1982 which is flourishing, with patient-education meetings, and fund-raising activities. Past president and current Secretary as well as patient education chairman. Meet many fine people, work with physicians, nutritionist, etc. Am now on the state board so keep informed on ADA activities. Quite a "hobby."

1945

PATRICIA FINN MURPHY 33 Briarcliff Lane Centerville, MA 02632

For the first time in many, many years here is news of some of our classmates. Our class was represented at Homecoming by EVIE MC DONALD LYNCH, who recently joined the Alumnae Association. Evie retired two years ago. while Bob retired four years ago. They both "love retired life." The Lynches are having a frustrating time winterizing their Cape home due to DEQE delays. Evie's hobbies include year old granddaughter, Molly, and making stainedglass. Had a note from JANE MILLIKEN LITTLE, who had a bad time in February with a ruptured appendix complicated by gangrene, etc. Happy to hear she is feeling fine now. She added the news that BEA BRITTON TAPLIN was in NY for a Princeton reunion in May, but wasn't able to see her.

Received a newsy letter from DOT DILL CARRUTHERS. Bob retired in 1985. They moved to Sunapee, NH where they enjoy skiing in winter and their small lake in the summer. Have done a lot of traveling the past 2 years - Egypt, Israel, Peoples Republic of China, and this Fall are sightseeing in India, Malay Peninsula, Singapore, and Thailand. Dottie says she has been working on a king size

quilt for the past five years.

NORMA GOFF MALMSTROM has been fully retired for 6 months after serving as Director of a Nursing Home for many years. Ed is still farming, although he'd be happy if their two sons would take over. Both Jerel and Royd and their families live in Austin, TX. Norma and Ed took a trip to Disney Land and Epcot Center in May. They took full advantage of the Florida beaches. Norma is busy knitting sweaters for her grandchildren.

BETTY MULLANEY ROWE moved to North Sandwich, NH on the retirement of her husband in November, '83. They spend six winter months in their condo in Boynton Beach,

FL.

Other Cape Cod retirees are: MAUDE GRITZMACHER DUGAN and Ray, living in Chatham, and MARY SCANLON. SCAVOTTO and Scotty in Falmouth summers and winters in Forida. Maude, Mary, and I met for lunch last November. Most of our contact with each other is by phone. Who said we'd have lots of time in retirement?

POLLY GENDRON FARRELL joined me here for lunch during her vaction last month. Polly has her master's degree in counseling, and has a busy career with the state of Rhode Island. We had a nice visit. Since my move to the Cape in May, 1985, ESTHER MC MORRAN MANN and I have visited only by phone. Esther and Ed are both retired. Esther is thrilled with her four handsome little grandsons. Another Cape resident is MARGARET MC FARLIN, who retired from the army as a major a few years ago. She, Mary Scavotto, and I met for lunch a few times. Mac is an avid golfer.

A nice part of Cape living is the arrival of visitors. MARY FOSS MURPHY and Bob dined with us last year while on the Cape for a Murphy family reunion. BETTY ANN CONNORS PRIZIO and Ray surprised us with a call on their annual trip to Cape Cod, and joined us for a breakfast visit.

Joe and I love retirement and the Cape. He keeps busy wood carving and fishing while I have my water color painting and a walking club. Life has never been better. Keep the news coming.

1946

MADELYN NALBAND 176 Columbian Street South Weymouth, MA 02190

I received a wonderful letter from MARIE VANGEL PETERS who retired on May 1 after running a G.I. unit at the Faulkner Hospital for more than 15 years. She and her husband, Tom, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary last November. They are looking forward to possible retirement next year: to travel. visit two sons in California

and enjoy their second home in Maine.

ELSIE SALMI says she enjoys life in Florida and comes here twice yearly to visit family and friends. Her mother will be 93 years old on October 19th and grand neice, Laura Susan Chase will be age 1 on October 23rd. Laura' grandma is MARY SALMI KORPINEN '48. She also said that DOROTHY HARRINGTON HALL, her brother Bill and wife Betty had visited her in March of this year. She reports that Dot is still slender, has no grey hair and lo ks wonderfull

I hope that you will forward to me any news you want to share. I was not able to attend homecoming this year, because of a trip that had been scheduled months in advance. If anyone has any news to contribute - please pass it along to me by April 15th for the Spring/Summer edition

of the Alumnae Record.

1949

RUTH STRONACH HENSHAW 8790 S.W.96th Street Miami, FL 33176

I had a phone call from EVELYN SMITH ADAMIC in California. she is in a wheelchair now, but will try to make our 40th reunion.

A card from BARBARA STEVENS WRIGHT from Alaska. They had a wonderful trip. Their son David got married, so Barbara does not see as much of grandson Danny. She is still doing church work and is Treasurer of 3 organizations.

RUTH TILLSON LOWELL's son John is getting married

September 20th and son Tom announced his engagement.

Three members of the September Class attended the Homecoming: LYN POULTER RATCLIFF, DOT JOHNSON MC CANN, and RUTH TILLSON LOWELL. They had a great time and are all enthusiastic to plan our 40th Reunion in 1989. Ruth thought we could meet after for dinner at a hotel or she offered her home for a catered dinner. Any ideas or input for our 40th would be appreciated. Contact Ruth Stronach Henshaw or Ruth Tillson Lowell, 26 Jefferson Rd., Winchester, MA 01890, (617) 729-0554. Also please write any classmates you have contact with about our 40th plans.

I received a letter from MARJORIE WESTCOTT LANDRUM, 2805 Coldstream Dr., Tallahassee, FL 32312, (904) 386-8957. Margie was with Medicaid for a number of years and is now Nursing Consultant for the Dept. of Labor in Worker's Compensation. "Bob and I have 6 children scattered all over, and 9 3/4 'grands'. We are tentatively planning a NE trip to visit friends and see old neighborhoods

and now perhaps combine with a 40th Reunion."

MARGARET MANNING and sister Mary had a wonderful

vacation walking the beaches in Maine.

I spoke to MARY LIBBY MORRIS's husband, Paul. Their daughter ANN '81 had a daughter in September.

Bob and I are going to San Antonio, TX October 11th

for a 3 day CPCU Insurance Convention. Bob receives his CPCU designation and while in San Antonio we will visit the Air Force Retirement Village. Bob is now retired Air Force.

1962

In the Spring/Summer edition it was erronously printed that JACQUELINE LIBBY DEXTER had M.S.. It should read that she received her M.S. in Nursing.

In a letter from MARTY FUNARO DOWNEY she writes: The Phoenix area has been my home for 17 years. For approximately 10 years I have worked in a Cardiology offfice and recently, in search of change and challenge, I

have taken a job in the OR of a surgicenter.

My second husband, Dick, is an electrical engineer for Garret Corp., and we were married two years ago in Hawaii. I have 2 children from a previous marriage; Sarah, age 18, started University of Arizona in Tucson this fall and Matt, age 16, is a high school junior. Dick also has 2 children from his first marriage. They are each married, and thus, we're the grandparents of 2 beautiful little girls.

Much of my leisure time is spent with my horse, "Stilts," mainly trail riding with friends or working on Dressage (an English style of riding) techniques. Dick is not a horseman,

but we hike, snow ski and travel together.

I thoroughly enjoyed our class reunion and the chance to see everyone and catch up on news after 25 years! If any of you are in the Phoenix area, be sure to stop in for a visit.

1963

CAROL GANDOLFI HILLER I King John Drive R R 5 Londonderry NII 03053

It's been a long time since most of us shared news in the Record - where is everyone! Our 25th Reunion is soon approaching and we are anxious to reach as many of our classmates as possible. Please send any current mailing addresses you have to me so that we can notify your section friends and you of the plans for our 25th.

On a sadder side, our dear classmate, JAN GRELOTTI NELSON, lost her husband, Dick, to cancer May 25, 1985. She too has cancer and has been back and forth to MGH for treatment for 3 years now. I know she would enjoy hearing from any of you. Her address is 37 Benjamin Rd., Marlboro,

MA 01752.

Now sit down with your address book and help me get this reunion going! Thanks.

In an article from the Sunday Bulletin, October 5, 1986, we read that LINDA SAMPLE URBANETTI opened a business called "A Thyme to Cook" a catering company. She has a Masters degree in nursing and is looking toward a PhD in Public Health as well as being a wife, mother of 2 and a housewife in charge of a large home. Her husband, Dr. John Urbanetti, is on the staff at Lawrence and Memorial Hospital and is a consultant on toxic acids in New London.

1987

ELLEN FAGAN and JAMIE O'CONNOR turned their concern for the homeless elderly people of Boston into a free health clinic for homeless adults age 45 and over in the basement of Holy Trinity Church in the South End. They offer health screening, education, assessment, intervention and referral of chronic, acute and urgent health care needs.

On April 10, 1987, at a Benefit for the Hospice of the South Shore, six volunteers were presented with the Ruth Sleeper Award. This award is given annually to recognize major contributions to the field of health care. One of the recipients this year was Dorothy

Pictured: Miss Sleeper center, Mrs McCann 2nd from right.



INSTITUTE CORNER

I am sorry to have missed Homecoming, 1987 and the opportunity to provide an in person update on the Graduate Program in Nursing. I hope that the following report will suffice.

The last year was one of "staying the course" after the thrill of NLN accreditation and the disappointment of a budget reduction. Although we continued to tinker with the curriculum, the occupational hazard of most nurse educators, the faculty moved securely beyond issues of course development.

As was reported previously, establishing research programs is the current priority of the faculty. This goal demands that we continue to develop resources to support

experts in the quest of clinical knowledge.

We began this academic year in hopeful anticipation of enlarging the Program. Nine registered nurse students joined the three pilot program RN's of last year. Together they comprise the critical mass needed to assist us in generating all possible study options for the professional nurse student population. Interestingly, of the twelve persons aforementioned, seven have degrees in disciplines related to nursing, and two have masters degrees. Watch for national advertising of the RN Sequence and for the numbers of this population to swell!

Twenty-five non-nurse college graduates entered in September; this is the number projected for a successful academic year. As was typical of their predecessors they are highly neterogenous in age, educational background and

life experience.

You will not be surprised to know that non-nurse college graduates have gained great credibility as candidates for our profession in light of recent high school graduates' demonstrated disinterest in nursing. Clearly the Institute is well positioned to answer the nursing shortage from the recruitment perspective, but we will have serious competition from universities which are moving quickly to replace BSN programs with models focused on college graduates.

We continue to enjoy our evolving relationship with your organization and look forward to projects on which we can fulfill our collaborative potential.

Elizabeth Grady, PhD, RN

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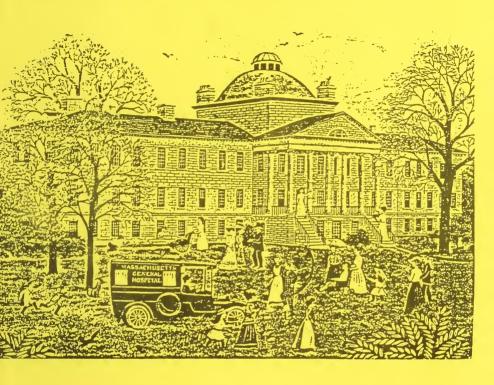
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REIMBURSEMENT FOR FAMILIES CARING FOR THEIR ELDERS AT HOME

BY

NINA D. WILSON IHP 1989

The growing need for services for the aging, whether formal or informal, is directly related to changes occuring in the nation's population. By the year 2030, an estimated 18.2 million Americans will be over the age of 65, and nearly 2.9 million of these senior citizens will be over 85. This over-85 group is the fastest growing subsegment of the population. Because of the heavy emotional and financial burdens of giving care to the elderly, experts in aging are troubled by the prospect of a society in which the old will be caring for the very old (Theis & Deitrick, 1987).

Zelewsky and Deitrick (1987) estimated that approximately 75% to 95% of all long-term care is provided nationally by family members of the elderly who live outside long-term care facilities. Another study suggests that family members provide 80% of medically related care and personal care and 90% of home assistance services. In addition, families provide extensive emotional support and response in times of crisis (Cantor,

1985).

According to the Executive Office of Elder Affairs, approximately 80% of the 400,000 frail elders in the state of Massachusetts receive home care from family members. Presently, these families receive little assistance or

compensation for their care-giving activities.

At the 1981 White House Conference on Aging, four separate committees recom- mended that tax exemption or tax credit legislation be enacted in order to promote continued maintenance of elderly individuals in their own homes. As a result, both houses of the Massachusetts legislature have followed suit by introducing a myriad of tax credit and tax exemption bills. However, unlike many of Massachusetts existing tax expenditure programs, these bills are tageted as to eligibility, and not only would provide an incentive for families to provide care at home, but also would serve as a disincentive to turn to costlier tax-supported forms of long term care such as Medicaid supported nursing homes which currently cost tax-payers more than \$15,000 per person annually. Our state's current system creates no incentive for the families to care for their elders at home.

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Massachusetts legislators are currently taking steps to develop a policy which rewards families who care for their aging relatives at home. For example, Senate Bill 1281, petitioned in 1988 by Senatores Doris and Burke, will provide families with a \$600 tax credit which would finally recognize that these families play an important role in caring for our older citizens. This particular bill has been introduced to the legislature essentially unchanged every year since 1983 by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. Each year the taxation committee has given this bill a favorable recommendation. However, each time the taxation committee refers this bill to the Ways and Means Committee, the legislators have allowed the bill to die.

Senate Bill 1281 states that to qualify for the tax credit, the tax filer must be a family member other than a spouse, care for the relative over 70 years of age at least six months of the year. It is further stated that the relative of the caregiver have an income below \$10,000 for a single return, or \$15,000 for a joint return. The original tax credit bill (\$1666) was filed in 1983 by Senators Olver, D'Amico, and Beckman.

The major proponents of this bill over the years include members of the Executive Office of Elder Affairs, various home care corporations, senior services organizations, visiting nurses associations, as well as many private citizens taking care of their elders at home. There has never been any major lobbying by opponents of this bill. Two aides in Senators Doris and Burke's offices speculated that S1281 continues to die in the Ways and Means Committee because of lack of serious political action. Both aides suggested that a large scale public awareness campaign and letter writing campaign should be conducted to get more families to support this bill. Not until more public pressure is placed on the legislators will this bill be seriously considered. Another aide suggested that the Ways and Means Committee can not appropriate funds to offset the budget and create a deficit in an election year.

I would suggest that a large agency like the Executive Office of Elder Affairs contract with a lobbyist or a financial consultant who specializes in issues/statistics involving the elderly, handicapped, and victims of Alzheimers in order to present a convincing case to the Ways and Means Committee to provide eligible providers with this modest tax credit. I would also suggest consulting with other states that have adopted a similar bill to provide tax credits to families caring for their elderly relatives at home. For example, one may consult with budget directors in Arizona, Idaho, Iowa, North Carolina, and Oregon to investigate how their budgets have tolerated such tax credits. Another way to raise the appropriate funds to

support \$1281 would be to somehow get the State to include a specific section of the state tax return which would allow taxpayers to voluntarily donate \$1.00. This would be similar to the voluntary \$1.00 donation to the presidential election fund.

States like Maryland, California, and Florida are currently making direct payments ranging from \$20 to \$581 per month to families caring for their elders at home. Eva Hester, legislation liason for the Executive Office of Elder Affairs, revealed that her organization is in the midst of drafting a similar proposal in Massachusetts. However, she feels that this proposed legislation may suffer similar consequences as did the tax credit/tax exemption legislation. The idea of tax credit/exemption and direct payment to families caring for their elders at home suggest several policy and programatic issues which must be considered. For example, a public financial payment system would have to target resources to only a small proportion of the frail elderly if major new public costs are to be avoided. A payment system based upon an accounting of the actual expenses associated with caregiving might be cost-effective, but the determination of actual costs is likey to be difficult. Much of the daily living assistance received by frail elderly is provided "in-kind" without cash expenditures. According to Ms. Hester, payments based upon extent of involvement in helping would be difficult to monitor.

A financial payment system would have to be flexible in order to take into account the needs of individuals other than the primary caregiver. If a primary caregiver were given a financial payment, other caregivers might be reluctant to share responsibilities, feeling that they were not being adequately compensated (Hester, 1988).

Other questions to take into consideration include: Should payments serve as incentives designed to encourage families to begin caregiving when the family would not have otherwise provided care? Should payments be compensation of reimbursement to help families deal with stress and expenses that threaten their ability to maintain care that they have voluntarily initiated? The use of payments, as an incentive presents the danger that families might take on caregiving for economic gain when other factors, such as their coping skills and their sense of personal obligation, may not be sufficiently strong to ensure high quality care (Hester, 1988).

Opponents believe that payments made directly to families or other informal caregivers may detrimentally shift control and responsibility away from the frail elder and increase the feeling of loss or helplessness associated with a chronic disabling condition. Others believe that to be most effective, direct payments should be made only to those impaired elderly who

are mentally competent to handle their own finances, but the design and administration of competency tests would lead to ethical and practical problems as well as increased expense (Berman, 1988).

Finally, a financial payment system may change family values. Payment for care formalizes the family's obligations and its role in caregiving. Will this change the nature of the care? Will family members feel more accountable and responsible or will they become more detached or impersonal, separating their emotional commitment from their "duties" as paid care givers (Berman, 1988).

In conclusion, it is clear that this policy may have both good and bad consequences. However, the time has come for Massachusetts to take action towards progressive social policies for the elderly and develop policy which rewards families who care for their elderly relatives at home. Tax credit/exemption incentives as well as direct payment to providers are just two of the policy changes needed to structure more appropriately the long-term care of our aging citizens.

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Many thanks to all of you who share your time and volunteer to work with the Alumnae and agree to run for office. The nominating committee is always interested in hearing from you if you are willing to become more active. And there are plenty of committees that are in need of additional volunteers.

The MGH has just started a seven month campaign remember with pride nurses who cared for Vietnam Conflict Era patients. campaign is called: REMEMBER CARING NURSES VIETNAM (1964-1975) The plan is to raise \$25,000 for the Capital Campaign to dedicate a conference room in the New Towers to Nurses. For more information or to contribute contact: Ed Coakley, OR Nursing Office, MGH, Boston, MA 02114 or phone 617 726 2826.

Along the same line: The office does get calls and requests from people doing

requests from people doing research projects. The most frequent request deals with graduates who have served in the military during any war/conflict and we really have no way of having that data. If you served in WWI, WWII, Korea, or Vietnam let the office know.

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The Student Affairs office on the first floor of Ruth Sleeper Hall will continue to process requests. The contact person is Mrs Pat Manning. As of Sepember 1 the fee for transcripts will be \$3.00 per transcript.

INSTITUTE CORNER

This issue Dr. Grady has given the Institute Corner to one of this years graduates Ellen Carr who has put together some data on the class.

This month in ceremonies on the Bulfinch Lawn, the Graduate Program in Nursing at the MGH Institute of Health Professions graduates its fourth class.

Before members of the Class of '88 scatter, it seems timely to find out where they have come from and where they might be heading.

Taking cues from a famous advertising campaign here

is a brief Class profile:

Home base past three years: Ruth Sleeper Hall

Number in class: 16

Age: (median) 30.25 years

Other General Statistics: All female; 7 married; 9 single; 3 mothers.

Aspiring Profession: Clinical specialists in cardio-pulmonary, gerontology, oncology and women's health nursing.

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Previous work experience: counselor, clinical researcher, editorial assistant, hemodialysis technician, nurses' aide, pharmacist, reporter, sales rep., secretary, social service administrator, truck driver.

Why we got into nursing: "To help solve the world's problems one-on-one". "To use my creativity". "To complement my previous work and education". "Nursing impressed me". "To care for patients, not treat diseases".

Why we intend to stay in nursing: "Options are

endless, the impact profound". "The opportunity to practice in different places". "I enjoy it". "I'm politically excited about being in a traditional women's profession". "The patients".

Lasting memory of MGH: "The clean/dirty utility rooms in the Baker Building...all of them seemingly 40 miles out of your way". "My constant confusion". "Caring for a particular stroke patient my first year". "The high-powered, fast-paced 'mecca'." "A certain nursing staff, who filled out a Kardex on me -- the "new patient" -- (I had a poor prognosis)". "Incredible, supportive people".

First thing we intend to do after graduation: Move. Paint my apartment. Work. Go to my high school reunion. Spend time with my husband and daughter. Get married. Take a bike tour on the West Coast. Go to the beach. Burn the papers that smother my desk. Sleep.

Quotes (Ones remembered, ones that kept us going):
"Fine...we're going to be fine." "You will finish
everything you start." (from a forturne cookie) "I
know I can...I know I can...I know I can" (from The
Little Engine the Could) "Nursing is not just a
job...it's an adventure" "Consistency is the mark of a
small mind" (Winston Churchill) "Come, my friend...Tis
not too late to seek a newer world" (Tennyson in
Ulysses).

To the class of '88 we wish you well.

IN MEMORIAM

- 1910 Lillian Lovely Grainger, on November 6, 1987, at Berkeley, California.
- 1911 Geraldine Albee Vannah, on January 12, 1988, at Damariscotta, Maine.
- 1914 Erna M. Kuhn, on December 23, 1987, at Northhampton, Massachusetts.
- 1919 Anna Noon Worthen, on February 2, 1988.
- 1920 Winifred Mooney, on December 6, 1987.
- Olive Dexter Scudder Hatch, on October 11, 1987, at Concord, Massachusetts.
- 1924 Ida Dutton Snow Upton, on February 9, 1987, at Beverley, Massachusetts.
- 1924 Kathleen Logan, on September 19, 1987.
- Walborg L. Peterson, on March 19, 1987, at Glenbrook, Nevada.
- 1927 Naomi Lanouette, on March 19, 1988.
- Eleanor Davis McAllister, on October 31, 1987, at Brookline, Massachusetts.
- May B. Croft Gleeson, on November 15, 1987, at Cumberland, Maine.
- 1930 Sarah M Lifvergren, on April 8, 1988, at Pittsfield, Massachusetts.
- 1931 Marjorie Chick Mead, on December 12, 1987.
- 1933 Irma Wirta, on February 14, 1988.
- Mary E. Holmes, on November 15, 1987, at Belfast, Maine.

1935	Arlene Lowe Stiles, on October 24, 1987, at Charlotte, North Carolina.
1938	Barbara Healey Lancy, on October 10, 1987.
1941	Bertha Cady Urie, on February 28, 1988.
1943	Mary F. Malone, on December 12, 1987, at Quincy, Massachusetts.
1955	Jeanne Casserly, on June 28, 1987.
1961	Marcia McCracken Eisnor, at Attleboro, Massachusetts.

NURSING RECRUITMENT - MGH

The announcement of a significant salary increase for staff nurses (which made MGH the highest in Boston), in conjuction with an aggressive recruitment program, is rapidly filling positions at MGH. Concern regarding the nursing shortage brought about the pacesetting move which includes significant bonuses for working straight 3-11, 11-7 or weekends.

Additional recruitment staff, plus an expanded recruitment pogram, has taken MGH representatives to campuses and conventions across the country to talk about nursing opportunities at MGH. With the future of nursing dependent upon recruitment into the profession increasing efforts are being made to work with Boston area schools to promote interest in nursing as a career. Such efforts are needed throughout the country.

MGH alumni interested in exploring a position at MGH

should call the recruitment office collect at 617-726-2045.

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CLASS NEWS

1927

ETHEL CLOW BLACK Sewall Rd Wolfeboro, NH 03894

Several members of our class attended Homecoming in September: MARGARET MURRAY ALLEN, NENA OUELLET, MARION MAXWELL, JANE MAC DONALD SULLIVAN, and RUTH KETCHUM PIPER. They enjoyed it very much and renewed friendships.

Two members have died in the past year. MARJORIE LANE SMITH who had been ill for a long time and HELEN BAKER who was in a nursing home.

I correspond frequently with MAYBELLE PEVERLY FAILING who has recently moved into a condominium in Deerfield Beach, FL. She is coping with old age very gracefully.

REINE GIBEAU
TREDENNICK and I have
kept in close contact all
these many years. She lives
in an apartment in
California where she is near
her married daughter. She
has had physical problems
but manages to keep going.

I still live in my home in Wolfeboro for six months andmove to Naples Beach Hotel, Naples FL for the winter six months. A nice way to live.

1931

GEORGIANNA HATCH BRACEWELL 1128 Chalet Drive West Mobile, AL 36608

I have moved to Alabama to live with my nephew and his family. We are having wonderful weather - warm and sunny. My nephew, Philip, has six grandchildren now. He is retired from the Coast Guard and his wife Carolyn is employed by the Internal Revenue Service. I am 81 years old now, but in good health. I take a long walk daily and I read a lot. I send love to you all.

1936

MARJORIE GOLDTHWAIT RICARDSON 386 Riverway, Apt 4 Boston, MA 02115

MARGUERITE VICHULES BOURGEOIS sends us a few news items, including a picture taken at her son's wedding - it was he who produced our 1936 book for our 50th reunion.

DOROTHY SMITH DICKS has left the Methodist Home and is living with her daughter, Joanne. Dotty's address is: c/o William B Connell 861 Faulkwood Court Sarasota, FL 24232 She expects to live part of the time with her son, Bill in Banner Elk, NC.

PHYLLIS PATTON WELCH and her husband are building a summer retreat in Wolfeboro, NH.

MURIEL KEARNS BRODSKY has sent me an address of one of our "lost" members: LILLIAN STELFOX JONES 12564 Plum Lane Wilton, CA 95693 Mickey is devoting much of her time to the care of her mother, who anticipates her 100th birthday in March.

A copy of our reunion book has been sent to Lillian. The books were distributed at the reunion and copies sent to everyone else who responded at that time. We are now left with a few extra copies and Marguerite and I are agreed that they should be discarded. So this is absolutely the last callif anyone knows of a class member who would like one, they should notify me at the above address within a

month after receiving the Record, enclosing \$1.75 for postage. After that, out they go!

1938

GRACE WALSH KELLEY 462-825 Rainbow Drive Westwood, CA 96137

Notified us of the death of JOSEPHINE WOOHULL HENSON in Winter Park, FL.

She also wrote that they were driving their 28 foot RV down to Florida, visiting friends, Cape Canaveral, Epcot, Sea World, Disney World, Key Largo and Ft. Myers before heading north and west. They hope to arrive about May 1 in the mountains where the Clear Creek house is! They now have 11 grandchildren - the last born October 1.

1941

We received a note telling us of the death of BERTHA CADY URIE who died February 28th of cancer of the pancreas. She is survived by 3 children, Jeff, Marilyn('72), and Mark. She was a visiting nurse in the 1940's, then a recovery room nurse for 20 years. She was always so proud of being an

MGH graduate and even kept "nurses notes" on herself until the end. The last 2 months she was very grateful to have wonderful "Hospice nurses" visiting and managing her care.

1943

Councillor-at-large MARY LO GIUDICE BUCKLEY has announced her candidacy for the office of State Representative of the 10th Plymouth District. She has a weekly radio show "Chatting with the Senior Set" on Sundays on WBET at 7:15 a.m.

1949

RUTH STRONACH HENSHAW 8790 S.W. 96th Street Miami, FL 33176 phone 305 596 5804

News from the class:
DOT JOHNSON MC CANN 675 Summer St, Marshfield,
MA 02050, wrote that things
are looking good for the
40th! Her daughter got
married in June, 1987 and is
due in June, 1988. and her
son is getting married in
April, 1988. It was good to
see Dot's picture with Ms
Sleeper in the last Record.

IRENE WEISSLINGER SWAN - 19 Seaview Ave, Marshfield, MA 02050, is still working her ice cream job. Bob retires Jan. 1 - 2 boys married, 5 grand-daughters, 1 grandson, 2 boys living at home, the 5th lives on the Cape.

JACKIE AUGER BROWN -Box 360, Rye, NH 03870, is planning on attending the 40th. Brownie has retired and they moved to NH in July. She is working for the Exeter Area Visiting Nurses (the executive director, Janice Oberacker is MGH '54).

TRUDY WALSH HYNES - 7307 Golden Iris Ct, Springfield, VA 22153, stopped working her part-time RN job in December but Warren is still involved running a small CPA practice. Her three children are still single and living in Virginia.

EVELYN SMITH ADAMIC -- 1228 N. Reeder Ave, Covina, CA 91722, had not much news except for earthquakes!

BARBARA STEVENS WRIGHT 2845 Kings Deer Rd, Winter Park, FL 32792, Planning a trip to Australia and New Zealand in October. Son David resigned from radio station after 14 years to start his own advertising agency. Dave, new wife Cindy and grandson Danny are fine.

MARY SCAHILL CHALLELA - 976 Greene St, Hopedale, MA 01747, is busy beginning a new program in genetics for nurses and hopes to recruit students from MGH.

R U T H S T I L L M A N FERNANDEZ - 91 Lenox St, West Newton, MA 02165, E x p e c t i n g 2 n e w grandchildren which will bring the number to 7.

ANNA SPAHL HOFFMAN - 170 W Jeffrey Pl, Columbus, OH 43214, Frank went to Africa on a tour in the summer. Tom and Bill, both 29 are still single. Have 2 grand-daughters, Julia 16 mos. and Shannon 4 with a new one in sight.

RUTH TILLSON LOWELL - 26 Jefferson Rd, Winchester, MA 01890, Has a new grandson born Christmas day. Dren Jr and family live in Hampton, NH, son Tom's wedding to Susan Couch was Jan 16th, Chad's son Mark is getting married in the Spring and she will come for the wedding.

MARGARET MANNING and sister Mary go walking every day 5 - 7 miles, even in the snow! 354 Market St, Apt #1, Brighton, MA 02135.

M A R G I E W E S C O T T LANDRUM - 2805 Coldstream Dr, Talahassee, FL 32312,

their 4 daughters and families 17 including 7 grandchildren were able to come home for the holidays. their 2 sons were unable to (one is in the service). Is going to make the 40th into a vacation trip.

MARY LIBBY MORRIS - 449 Franklin St, Reading, MA 01867, Son Paul is getting married in April. She heard from IRENE & Lyn POULTER at Christmas, and saw DOT MC CANN on TV about water conservation.

RUTH STRONACH HENSHAW son Jon age 29 moved to a home he remodeled. I still volunteer at Baptist Hospital of Miami. They sponsor a Nurse Associates Group that has a program meeting once a month for non-working and retired nurses. The group is considering going nationwide – it's a wonderful way to keep in touch with the field of nursing.

If you have news, views, addresses contact: Jackie Brown, Ruth Lowell, or Ruth Henshaw. Plans are under way for our 40th. Let's keep in touch.

1951

JOAN VAILLANT PARENT 265 Wilson St Marlborough, MA 01752 Hello everyone!

Here we are into our 37th year following graduation - Time Flies!

DODIE STONE BERGERON - are expecting grandchild #6 She and Noel have gone to California and Hawaii in the past year to visit daughter Carol and son Bryan and their families. Dodie is still working in nursing 3 days a week.

OLGA SADOTTI AASEN - is planning on rejoining the Alumnae and promises to write later - please do Olga.

MARY THISTLE CHEMINI - is still working with the Department of Public Health. She treks to Boston daily and is dealing with complaints in Long Term Care.

JOAN MC CARTHY PETERSON - sent beautiful pictures of their new home in Wayne. Grandmother Joan sent pictures of Corey (2 years) and Briana (4 years). She looks happy and th children are adorable and the house has the Maine woods for a backyard. Joan is concerned about the Nurse shortage! I think we as Nurses do have an obligation to be involved in some way as a Nurse and continue to push the positive aspects of Health Care.

NAT QUIRK MEANEY - is living in Valley Forge, Pa and has 3 sons and 2 daughters, son Dan is married and is a radio announcer.

MARION DECKER MANES met Dan Meaney on the Cape. Marion is into Real Estate selling. She wrote about visiting with GEN RICE ROSENKRANTZ at MARION KELLEHER EVANS new home (their old home was struck by lightning in the summer of 86). She also met JUANITA DUBE HERTZ ('49) they both grew up in Springfield and both husbands are retired Army.

Marion and husband, Chuck, play golf and will be playing in the Oyster Harbors Team this spring. In July, she started selling a salt water front development of 58 homes and condos in East Falmouth. When she is not selling she is babysitting her grandchildren - daughter Robin has 2 - Joey (6) and Andrea(4), daughter Betsy has

I'm still involved in Nursing, working full time. Daughter and our one grandchild reside in California. We visited this year and will again. Son Bob involved at Emerson College, hoping to produce on TV. Last of all, the youngest is making choices as to which Medical School to attend as

Nicholas (11mos).

he graduates from Brandeis University this spring. My hubby, Gene, and I hope we linve long enough to see all our family reach their goals --as I know they will.

Please write - I continue to hear from only a few, but that's all right. They are wonderful people.

Continue being nurses - they are great people and so needed.

1952

In a note from EDIE LIND KNOWLTON she tells us that on April 30, 1985 she retired from the DuPont Company where she had been Occupational Health Nurse for 16 1/2 years. Bob was transfered back to Kinston site. She is enjoying volunteer work in the Blood Bank, Meals on Wheels, etc. also lots of golf and bridge. Bob will retire December 31st after 32+ years and they are excited and looking forward to it. Daughter Alison and husband Jeff live in Portsmouth VA less than hours away but grandchildren yet.

1959

PATRICIA F. NEWNHAM 251 W Park Ave State College, PA 16803

Christmas cards but no news from: JANE HARTWELL, JUDY BAKER HOFER, MARGO JOHNSON TAYLOR. ELLIE TREINAS PREVOSKI is still at Worcester VNA. Her daughter anne is a nurse coordinator with Harvard HMO. Another daughter, Cyndy, is majoring in pharmacy at Northeastern University.

MARY FURBER RAYMOND and Al visited Antigua in March '87 and really enjoyed it. Al continues with his cardiac rehab program. Daughter Mary Beth has moved to Maine and is expecting in February '88. MARY MC CARTHY PERRY is working in the stress lab in

is working in the stress lab in Peabody Hospital.

JACKIE FLYNN was back East in the fall for her mother's funeral.

DI FLOYD BAKER sent us greetings from the "intergenerational commune" her mother, BARBARAPAYNE, and her mother-in-law live with them so life is busy. She is a school nurse for K-5, daughter Sue is a sophomore at Trinity College and Meredith is a senior at Middlebury. She enjoyed her junior year abroad.

NEWNHAM's are fine. We loved Australia when there in August for one of Bob's

meetings. Sydney and Perth are marvelous and the Great Barrier Reef is more beautiful than the books can tell you. Randy is finishinb at Penn State and Rosemary is a high school senior. Randy studied at Kiel, W Germany for part of his junior year and did an internship at the U. S. Consulate in Stuttghart. Pat continues part time teaching and volunteer activities.

1959

MARY FLANNERY CAIRA 19 Fuller Terrace West Newton, MA 02165

In April, Miles and ALICE BURD were here in Boston. Miles had attended a 3 month executive management course at Harvard Business School. Alice joined him for the last week here. I called a number of you for a get-together. Although only the Roys and Mike and I could join them for a lovely dinner at the Wayside Inn, I had a golden opportunity to talk and get some news for this letter.

ALICE WRIGHT BURD - 7223 Kidmore Lane, Lanham, MD 20706, it was a delight to see Alice and Miles after 20 years. Like many of us, physical appearances have

changed slightly (a few more pounds, a few less hairs), but the wonderful skill of picking up where we left off at the last visit was well in place. In April, 1987, the Wright clan gathered to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of Alice's parents. Then, a month later, Mr & Mrs Wright moved to the Alliance Retirement Home in Carlisle, PA. Mrs Wright has only done fairly well since Cardiac Surgery. In the churchsponsored multi-level Retirement Community, she can receive the medical support she needs. Alice continues to work two days a week at the Riverdale Baptist School. Miles continues to work for the Defense Department. Stephen received his Associates Degree in Law Enforcement, and is trying to obtain a job in this field.

GAIL KENT CLEMMER - 116 Kirkland Ave, West Chester, PA 19380, she completed her Comprehensive exams in December. Work, practicum, papers, etc. kept her very busy. She has had much work done on her shore home, adding glass and skylights everywhere. She hopes to make it her permanent home.

GENE SHAFFER CORCORAN 6900 Fitzpatrick Dr, Laurel, MD 20810, John is with a private company as a contractor at the Washington, DC Navy Yard. Gene is working year-round at the Racetrack. She will go to Finland for 3 weeks this summer, to visit with the boys who stayed with her on the exchange program. She's having some difficulty learning the language. She is still an EMT with the Laurel Volunteer Rescue Squad. Susan is now divorced, and has moved to CA with her 4 year old son, Christopher. They are living in a 3-bedroom home that JD rented. JD is with Northern Telecom, is engaged, and may be married this summer. Danny is a freshman at the University of Maryland, and works part-time at Hechinger's.

N A N C Y B A S S E T T CAMPBELL - 218 Harvard Dr, Torrington, CN 06790

MARILYN THAYER COTE - Rte 782, Purcellville, VA 22132.

ROSLYN RUGGIERO ELMS - 1212 Fordham Dr, Davis, CA 95616.

ELAINE FINLEY FLANAGAN 190 Barley Neck Rd, Orleans, MA 02653, Jim and Elaine have built a new home, and hopefully are movingbinto it this month. They are anticipating their first

grandchild in July, as their oldest John and his wife Stephanie are expecting.

AMANDA MC CRAE FUHRO Box 77E RD #1, Blairstown, NJ 07825, Alice says that Bunny is working in Texas, managing the business for a group of physicians.

JAMIN SCHOFIELD GUARINO 287 High St, Hingham, MA 02043, has resigned from her position as Assistant Director of Nursing at South Shore Hospital. She is studying the Holistic Approach, and is an independent practitioner in Massage and Energy Balancing. She will attend a seminar in Albequerque in the use of crystals in this field. Ron is well. Julie lives in the next town, and repairs copy machines. Laurie has her BSN and works at New England Baptist Hospital. Susan works for a temporary agency. Laurie and Susan are at home.

MAXINE CLARK HYBARGER 335 Henerson Dr, San Jose, CA 95123, Mr Clark died in September. Maxine had been home to Maine earlier in the year, and was grateful that she had spent time with him. He was 87, and had lived a rich, full life. Gerry and Gail both live and work in San Jose, so they see them often. Maxine received her BS in Psychology and is beginning

work on her Masters Degree. She is working 4 days a week in the Recovery Room. Ray is job hunting as Consulting work is too uncertain.

B A R B A R A K I N G HEMINGWAY - 24 Alberta Rd, Brookline, MA 02167, is still teaching in the LPN Program at Boston City Hospital. She has started studies for her Masters Degree at University of Lowell, concentrating on practitioner and administrative courses.

ELEANOR DYER HAMILTON 20 Queensland Rd, N Billerica, MA 01862, is a nurse manager at Lowell General Hospital in charge of an Orthopedic Unit, Oncology Unit, and Oncology Clinic. She could not join us for dinner as she was going to a shower for her son Scott's fiancee.

SUZANNE SEYMOUR KEOHANE - 1818 Ridgeway, Colorado Springs, CO 80906, Sue and children were well.

RUTH FIFE MANN - Carter Hill Rd, Canterbury, NH 03224.

JUDITH PALMER MUGGIA - 1 4 Dartmouth St, Winchester, MA 01890, she is a Town Meeting

Councillor in Winchester.

MARY JANNINO ROMEO - 4 Stephanie St, Burlington, MA 01940, she resigned from staff nursing at Lahey Clinic about 4 mounths ago and does some babysitting for her grandchildren. Four of her children are married. She has 3 grandchildren and 2 more on the way. The 2 youngest boys are not married yet.

MARY DUGGAN ROY - 11 Beech St, Weston, MA 02193, It was great to spend some time with Mary and Norm. Mary is the on-call nurse for the Sudbury School System and the Lincoln-Sudbury High School. Norm is Executive Vice President for the Barry Wright Corporation. Ann and her husband Tim are the parents of a son. Eileen, a graduate of Babson, is Accounts receivable Manager for the New England Mobile Book Fair. Michelle is a sophomore at Boston College, majoring in French and Spanish, with a minor in International Studies. Kay. who attended the Parsons School of Design, was married to an English boy whom she met in her travels in Australia. She is now living in England. Ellen is a senior in high school, and plans to join her sister at BC next year. Paul is an 8th grader at the Carroll School in Lincoln.

Mary's mother died in the recent months. Mary's sister was at home with her at the time of her death.

ROBERTA FITZGERALD SNYDER - 180 West 58th St. Apt 5B, New York, NY 10019, she and Dick have separated. She is doing some work with elder groups.

The CAIRA's - We are all well. Mike continues with Gas and Electric. Mass Young Michael recently left Dental and joined Northwest National Life Insurance Company in Boston, where he'll work in Dental Claims. Christopher will be married in September, and we are all involved in preparing for the wedding. His fiancee, Tara Keough, is no stranger they have been dating for 8 years. Maria is finishing up her freshman year at Framingham State, while working part-time at a Day Care Center, And Dio continues to rule our home as his canine kingdom. In January, I started at Leonard Morse Hospital as a Staff Nurse on Med-Surg unit. I am enjoying sharpening my clinical skill as I await a position in management, or such. Last year Mike and I experienced some wonderful travels to the Bahamas. Canada, and Italy. I'll finish

up my positon with the Alumnae in September, and plan to remain active with them.

In September, all of us will celebrate the 30th Anniversary of our graduation from MGH. The date for Homecoming is Saturday, September 24th. On Friday evening, you and spouses or guests will be welcomed at my home, and on Saturday, we will party at Mary Roy's home. I'll be sending out more information in July or early August. I'll welcome help from the local folks putting this together. In the meantime, please keep dates free for a good get-together.

Keep the news coming.

1963

CAROL GANDOLFI HILLER 1 King John Drive Londonderry, NH 03053

We are knee deep in planning a wonderful 25th class reunion. The 25th reunion committee consists of BELINDA BRIGGS ASANO. CAROLYN KENNEY KOEHLER, MARY LO VETERE CAMPANO, GRACE TABACCO MC GILL, HONOR KEEGAN, AND JEANNE CUNNINGHAM MORELLO. We compiled the totals of the questionnaire and have

concluded that the majority want to have our reunion in conjuction with the Homecoming. So, start planning to join us on September 24th for a full day of memories. And if you want more time to chat with classmates from afar, plan to reserve a room and stay in town Saturday night. This is a stag party this year ladies!

We are desperate to reach as many classmates as we can. Please help us by sending those missing addresses to your section

committee members.

Postage rates are up and time is at a premium for all of us on the committee and we will only be sending reunion news and reservations to those who have responded to our mailings.

May the Force return you to

Boston for 9/24.

1969

HELEN PHELPS ROSSMAN 6027 Fairfield Ave Ft Wayne, IN 46807

Five members of the class attended Homecoming 1987.

E. JANE MC CARTHY WHITE - and her husband Rodney live in Silver Springs, MD. She has her PhD in respiratory

physiology currently works for the U.S. Public Health Service. They keep busy with travel and music.

JOAN KERR MC WILLIAMS and Bob live in Lutherville, MD with their daughter. She is Assistant Director of Nursing at a hospital there. They recently purchased a sail boat and are loking forward to many sunny days of sailing.

CAROLYN FLANNIGAN has not lost her ability to keep us laughing and on our toes. She is an Assistant Director of Nursing in post-anesthesia recovery at Rhode Island Hospital in Proviceence.

DEB REHBERG HICKS keeps busy assisting her husband John in his practice of rheumatology. She currently manages his drug study program. She also owns her own business - Finishing Touches - which deals with window treatments. They live in Fairfax Station, VA with their daughter.

HELEN PHELPS ROSSMAN and Phil live in Ft Wayne with their daughter and son. After being a nursing instructor for several years ina diploma program I am currently retired and involved in various types of volunteer work, but mainly

at a free health clinic in Ft Wayne.

We definitely do not want to wait another 18 years. 1989 will be our 20th and we'd like as many people as possible to plan on attending the 89 Homecoming. Begin thinking about it!

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The tradition that was started last year with a two day event continued this year. Many of those attending Homecoming started the weekend on Friday at the MGH by attending a CEU program on "Alzheimers Disease". We were fortunate to have members from the Memory Disorders Unit at the MGH as our panel of speakers and from all of the evaluations everyone in attendance thought the program was exceptional. Immediately following the program there was a reception in the Wang Ambulatory Care Center. For many of the reunion classes this was the beginning of the social events of the weekend.

Saturday at the Howard Johnson "57" the business meeting started the day. The slide show program was incredible and all the reviews were exceptional. Unfortunately it is almost impossible to give a true synopsis of the program as it was a true slide/talk concerning the changes at MGH.

The Association

The Association honored the reunion classes and some special people at the luncheon with small gifts. And the Association wants to thank those reunion classes that generously contributed class gifts.

It was wonderful to see everyone and thanks to all who attended and made the day such a success - we all are looking forward to next year.



ALUMNAE PRESIDENT

Members of the Board of Alumnae have been pleased to participate in a number We met ten times during the year to carry out the business of the Association. Homecoming and the Continuina Education Program have been time-consuming projects for a number of board members. excellent response of the membership who attend these events make all of our efforts worthwhile. Homecoming for nest year will be on September 30, 1989, at the "57".

Our good relationship with the MGH Institute has continued. We gave a scholarship in honor of Ruth Sleeper, and an award in memory of Adele Corkum to nursing students. Linda Lass-Schuhmacher and I attended a reception for Patrick McCarthy, the new President of the IHP. Dottie Mahoney and I attended the pinning ceremony in May, while Linda represented the Alumnae at graduation. Also, many of us attended the retirement reception for Natalie Petzold.

The gathering of historical artifacts continues. The Ruth Sleeper Video is completed and available. The portrait of Mary Macdonald is nearing completion.

We have concentrated energy on upgrading the office. The installation of a copying machine has saved the office staff uncountable hours of traveling and waiting, and is paying for itself in saving costs. The addition of a phone answering machine has also improved our communications with members and associates. Also, we have used the services of a consultant to improve and upgrade the computer.

We are frequently contacted by researchers for information about graduates. They seek nurses engaged in various conflicts/wars and pioneers in various fields of nursing. We do not give out the names of graduates. However, we publish those requests in the Record for you to respond if desired.

In spite of our best efforts, membership in the association has not increased. We need your help to encourage classmates and coworkers to join. We need new people with new ideas. Many of us would like to step back, but fear that the organization will flounder due to a lack of people. We are not the only organization with this problem - it is a sign of the times.

We also want to remind you that if you wish to bequeath or donate money to the Alumnae, please contact us for assistance.

It has been an honor to serve as your President for the past two years. The task was made possible by the unselfish contributions of a wonderful group of board members, and a great office staff, as well as volunteers. We would not have managed without the able assistance of our secretary, Lee Drago. To each and every one

of you, I offer my sincere thanks for a job well done. Mary Flannery Caira President

ANNUAL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

September 24, 1988

1. The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. by Mary Caira, President.

2. The minutes of the September 26, 1987 Business Meeting were read and accepted.

3. The reports were given by the President, other officers and alumnae secretary.

4. The election results were reported:

President Elect Jeannette Blaine '55

Vice President Mary A. Fischer '75

Secretary Joanne Franklin '81

Board of Directors Rita K. Barry '75 Mary E. Caira '59

Nominating Committee Barbara Dunderdale '63 Margaret Vernon '64

Meeting adjourned at 10 a.m. Respectfully submitted, Linda Lass-Schuhmacher

ALUMNAE SECRETARY

We extend our congratulations to the 35 new members which brings our count to 1146, including 98 complimentary members. Our condolences are offered to the relatives and friends of the 41 deceased members.

Four hundred and twenty six members have contributed \$11,248.00 to the 1988 Alumnae Fund Drive, due to the usual splendid efforts of the class representatives. The Alumnae Office still sends out about one-third of the fund drive letters to those classes without representatives. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact me.

Special thanks to our volunteers, Marjorie Richardson, Miriam Huggard, Evelyn Lawlor, my co-worker Alma Robbins and all those who have contributed their services during the year.

Respectfully submitted, Eligia M. Drago, Secretary

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

On Saturday, September 26, 1986, at the Howard Johnson "57", Margaret Carson Gilmour '62 was our guest speaker. She gave a slide presentation of her work in the Hospice at the Nashua Memorial Hospital, Nashua, New Hampshire.

On Friday, September 23,

1988, at the Walcott Room, Wang Ambulatory Care Center, MGH, a CEU Program was conducted on Alzheimers Disease. The panel of speakers were from the Memory Disorders Unit at the MGH.

Respectfully submitted Jan Blaine, Chairperson

ALUMNAE RECORD

Two issues of the Record were distributed this past year. It has been a good year with a fair amount of news being sent in by members but as usual we are still in need of your ideas. Don't forget we need your news - this is your magazine!

Linda Lass-Schuhmacher Chairperson/Editor

RUTH SLEEPER SCHOLARSHIP

Each year at the annual reception for the Institute of Health Professions Nursing Students in November, 1987, a Ruth Sleeper Scholarship is given to a second year student, who excelled in both the practice theory, and The recipient this nursing. year was Nina Wilson. Ms Sleeper's presence at this reception makes the award so much more meaningful.

Respectfully submitted Ann M. Cahill, Chairperson

ANNABELLA McCRAE LOAN FUND

Three applications were received over the past year. One \$3000 loan was granted as one applicant withdrew, and one received the Fullerton Scholarship.

Carolyn Thayer Chairperson

SALLY JOHNSON/ FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIPS

The Committee received only one application that qualified for a scholarship. This has been the quietest year ever for this committee. We were pleased to award the Fullerton Scholarship to Anne Kieran Manton '60. She is pursuing her Doctorate Degree in Nursing.

To those interested in applying for a scholarship, please contact the Alumnae Office for an application, which must be filed by May 1, 1989. There are four scholarships available yearly. The amount of each is \$1500.00. The earliest award would be made by August, 1989. The applicant must be an active member in the Association (i.e. paid dues).

Marlene Norton, chairperson

TREASURER'S REPORT AUGUST 31, 1988

Thanks to the generosity or our members during the Annual Fund Drive, we have been able to honor all our committments and pay our bills. In addition to the regular Scholarships we have given \$2200.00 in scholarships and awards from our working account. This year we have also spent a small amount on computer programming and education. My thanks to the members for their continuing support; and particular thanks to Lee Drago and Alma Robbins for their meticulous record keeping.

Detailed financial statement is in the Alumnae Office. Anyone wishing to see the full statement should come to the office during regular

working hours.

Catherine Boyd, Treasurer

HOMECOMING PHOTOS - 1988

Photos in this issue of the Record may be ordered through the Alumnae Office.

All orders must be received by January 15, 1989 - we will not be able to process any order received after that date. Orders should be mailed to the MGHNAA, Bartlett Hall, MGH, Boston, MA 02114 with your check payable to the MGHNAA, the number that appears below the photo, and the size desired.

5 X 7 print \$6.00

8 X10 print \$7.50

Cost includes postage and handling charges.

NOTE

If anyone has a copy of the WINTER 1976 issue of the Quarterly Record and is willing to donate it to the office we are in need of this issue to complete our set of back issues for the Archives.

CLASSES IN NEED OF A CLASS REPRESENTATIVE

1933 1939 FEBRUARY 1941 SEPTEMBER 1941 FEBRUARY 1942 FEBRUARY 1943 FEBRUARY 1946 JULY 1950 FEBRUARY 1951 MARCH 1951 SEPTEMBER 1953 SEPTEMBER 1955 MARCH 1957 SEPTEMBER 1960 FEBRUARY 1966 1969

1981

If you are a member of any of the above classes and are willing to act as the class representative to send out Fund Drive letters please let Lee Drago at the office know as soon as possible. Thanks!

REMEMBER TO MARK THESE DATES FOR NEXT YEAR:

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Homecoming - September 30

CEU program - September 29

All Reunion class functions must be made by the class - the office is not able to assist in any way other than with a list of class members.

WORCESTER COUNTY MGH NURSE GROUP

The group met on May 24, 1988 at the Holden home of Martha Almonte. There were 14 members plus an MGH visitor from Maine.

Martha assisted by her 9 year old daughter, Rebecca, served beverages and canapes as the group settled into its favorite diversion of "Remember When" occassionally interrupted by What's new-nursing & MGH.

Our visitor Martha Addison McCain '44 has spent the past year in Rutland, MA working on the Heifer Program, part of the International l Hunger Project.

Greetings were extended from members unable to attend:

Alleyne Albrecht Foley '48
Frances Tomasunas Kay '41
Christine Moore Binnall '29
Annette H. Desmarais '44
Lisa Villarreal '81
Helen Walsh Duquette '41

A delicious pot luck meal was enjoyed by all. Next year the meeting will be held during the fourth week of May at the home of Carol Walsh in Holden.

Members attending were:
Martha Shirley Almonte '74
Barbara M. Clancy '57 Pres.
Charlotte A. Hall '44
Margaret Tinney Harding '62
Jan Prouty Howland '62
Janet MacMillan '62
Martha D. Peterson '32
Barbara Parker Pierce '47
Muriel Settle Pollock '42
Margaret Carter Premo '49
Betty Connors Prizio '45
Marie E. Rearick '44 Sect.
Carol Brown Walsh '57

REUNION CLASSES REMEMBER:

The Homecoming information is only sent to those who are active members. If you are planning for September, make sure that all of your classmates join or plan on getting the info out to them yourself. The office can get you a list of classmates.

Many thanks to all of you who share your time and volunteer to work with the Alumnae and agree to run for office. The nominating committee is always interested in hearing from you if you are willing to become more active. And there are plenty of committees that are in need of additional volunteers.

TRANSCRIPTS/REFERENCES

Contact the Student Affairs Office, IHP, Ruth Sleeper Hall, the cost is now \$3.00 per transcript.

The office does get calls and requests from people doing research projects. The most frequent request deals with graduates who have served in the military during any war/conflict and we really have no way of having that data. We do not give out names to anyone but will in future issues publish a listing of those who are seeking information so that you may contact them directly if you wish to participate.

The MGH as part of the Capital Campaign Building Program and members of the Nursing Department are trying to raise the \$25,000 plus which is needed to dedicate a conference room in the new building to Nurses.

Anyone interested in sending any contributions to this effort should send them to the Alumnae Office and designate the contribution to the Nurses Conference Room. The office will then forward all funds to the appropriate office to be used for the room.

A WORD ABOUT THE HOMECOMING PROGRAM ...

Our guest speakers this year were Stephen H. Kaufman, Assistant General Director of the MGH and Charles Hall, Project Director for the new facilities, MGH. They utilized slides to show the audience the past, present, and future of the MGH.

This year the hospital began construction on the first of two twin towers to replace the inpatient facilities now housed in the Baker Memorial, the Phillips House, and the Vincent-Burnham Buildings. This is a significant project in regards to physical size and dollars, with a projected budget of \$207 million. It is not, however, the only change taking place in and around the hospital. The campus of the 50's, 60's, and 70's has a dramatically different look in the 80's and given all that is currently planned, the MGH of the 90's will see the largest alteration of space and programs of the century.

Using slides and architectural renderings, some of these changes were described. We saw the first new tower in its past and present construction form, at the test site to make sure that the glass walls can withstand Boston climate and natural forces, and a drawing of the projected final look as MGH changes the skyline and river view of Boston. We also saw the other new areas where building has already begun at the corner of Cambridge Street in front of the parking gargage. These new structures will house the administrative offices and a new

physician office building for Family Practice.

The MGH was discussed in a broad view, explaining the diverse interests and new growth areas. Today's view of the MGH was enlightening for those not familiar with the changes that have been taking place and for others it was an interesting geographical tour that is wider than the confines of the old "Fruit Street Clinic". A look at what we call the MGH took us to the adjacent communities of Charlestown (Bunker Hill Health Center and Building 149 in the Charlestown Navy Yard), Chelsea (Chelsea Health Center), Revere (Revere Health Center), Somerville (New Warehouse, Medical Records area, and Purchasing), and Westwood (The Life Care Center). In addition to these physical growth sites, the hospital has also enlarged in a corporate direction by attempting to become a responsive health system with vertically integrated services.

IN MEMORIAM

1911	Eva S. Waldron, on August 20, 1988.
1914	Angeline Bagley Mattioli, on May 17, 1988, at Southboro, Massachusetts.
1916	Mary Anna Diamond Carey, on September 12, 1988 at Milford, Massachusetts.
1921	Vida E. Jacobs Brown, on September 20, 1988, at Lodi, California.
1924	Helena Syvertsen Spead, on May 28, 1988.
1925	Eleanor B. Pitman, on June 26, 1988.
1929	Mildred Blake Humphreys, on June 17, 1988.
1931	Ruth Putnam Drayton, on August 24, 1988.
1932	Laura Anderson Gustafson, date unknown.
1941	Alice Russell Davidson, on July 28, 1988.
1943	Elizabeth O'Loughlin Fischer, on April, 1988.
1943	Marie Steele Carman, on July 31, 1983.
1944	Louise Brown Claffey, on June, 1988.
1958	Andres Blamire Quinter, date unknown.

PLANNING A CLASS REUNION

By: Marjorie Richardson '36

Since I helped plan our 50th reunion recently, and since I volunteer in the Alumnae Office and so am aware of the types of questions most often asked, I am offering a few suggestions to those who are contemplating a class reunion. The most common remark we hear is "How do we start?"

First of all it should be understood that any get-together beyond the formal day's program of Homecoming is the responsibility of the class, not the office. The Alumnae Board and the staff of the office are glad to supply lists of names, with such addresses as they have on file. They also plan and organize Homecoming and provide name tags, but beyond that they do not go - no funds, no stationery, no hotel reservations!

Next, and this should begin early in the Spring, if possible some member of the class has to get things started. If your class has a Representative who sends out the Fund Drive letter - and every class should have one - she may be the person to initiate the activity. Here is where you say, "It might as well be me!" - get a committee together - a few interested

souls who can arrange to meet, or meetings by phone or even letters are possible. Explore possibilities, most common are a dinner Friday evening before Homecoming, a breakfast on Homecoming morning, or a dinner Saturday evening after Homecoming - remember you will have had a big lunch! classes have members living in the Boston area who invite the group to meet at their home - a wonderful idea much enjoyed and appreciated but a lot of work and don't forget people will need transportation.

A very helpful idea is to send out an initial letter with the Fund Drive appeal. This can be done without extra postage if not too bulky and saves a lot. Ask for suggestions and ideas, an include names of "lost" members. Many times we at the office are not notified of address changes and there may be friends who know where the missing people are.

When you get some responses and an idea of where and when the class would like to meet, the committee should get prices, check on the availability of meeting rooms, and make a decision. This is not always a democratic process, but when push comes to shove, someone has to say "Okay, this is how it will be". Reserve the room and ask for

a guaranteed price (or at least a price range).

Now is the time for a second letter, usually incorporating a form to be filled out and returned. Give time, place and cost, and ask for pre payment. Often a modest sum is added to the price of the meal to take care of postage and other expenses. It is most important to set a deadline for replies. Someone must receive and collate the news and keep account of the money. You may be asked for a deposit and will certainly be expected to settle the account at the time of the event. The restaurant usually requires cash or a major credit card, not a personal check.

Other members of the committee may be responsible for table decorations, flowers if used, planning activities beyond the meal or party (sorry, no hospital tours available and areas within the hospital that have a fee for usage must be reserved by the individual class and paid for by the class), and the compilation of a collection of personal data, a souvenir much appreciated and enjoyed, not only by those attending but also by those who could not be present. Our class was most fortunate that the son of one of our members had the facilities and the willingness to produce a wonderful book which was distributed to all present

and mailed to every class member who had responded but was unable to attend. Others have used different forms, but the "news" supplied by each member about themself is very well received. Ask for such information as education after graduation, career highlights, marital and family status, hobbies, and, if appropriate, activities since retirement.

One very moot point is that of accommodations. Many live nearby or can get to Boston fairly easily, others have friends and/or relatives with whom they can stay. Hotels in Boston are expensive and fill up very early. Often one or more classmates will take suites where much jollification takes place. But this is really the responsibility of the individual who may, with the use of toll-free numbers or a travel agent, make their own arrangements, not the reunion committee. A brochure, giving much information about the city, including hotels, may be obtained without charge from the Greater Boston Convention and Visitors Bureau, P.O.Box 490, Boston, MA 02199.

A reunion can be such a pleasant occasion, with a little advance planning and a lot of cooperation. Hopefully, this information will help you, it does not contain all the answers but a lot of ideas.

From the oldest to the youngest . . .



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A good time was had by all!

1924

We received a letter from Helen Simonson in which she writes:

After 15 months, I finally got an apartment at Lanier Gardens, a retirement complex, with 263 apartments on 5 floors. managed by Wesley Homes. Athens is a beautiful city: wooded, winding streets, so many flowering trees, and shrubs, and the University of GA has 24,000 students here. There are vans that take us shopping and to church. There is a laundry, beauty shop, many planned activities, a shopping center within walking distance, and my son now lives here in Athens.

1932

We received word that Esther Brinkman Peek had a heart attack but is now doing very well.

Also a news clipping that showed Olive Pendleton pictured with 5 other charter members of the Westerly Registered Nurses Club. 55 years ago there were 9 members now there are 80.

In the August 1, 1988 Brockton Enterprise there was an article on Gladys Farren honoring her 75th birthday. She had served the town of East Bridgewater as public health nurse for over thirty years and was a member of the Board of Health for three years.

1937

Elva Sawyer Proctor 27 Brook Hill Rd Milton, MA 02186

Gordon and I celebrated our Golden Wedding Anniversary on September 3 with a luncheon at the Milton Hill House given by our children, Jane and Richard, for our friends and relatives. Betty Harting Houghton '37 who was one of my bridesmaids, came from New Hampshire to join the festivities. She and her husband, Carl spend winters in Lake Mary, FL.

1938

The fiftieth anniversary of our graduation from the MGH School of Nursing was celebrated on September 24th at the annual Homecoming event prepared by the Alumnae Association.

Eighteen classmembers attended:

Gertrude Snow Barr Helen Curran Bolger Mary Frazer Cavanagh Ruth Farrisey Nellie Cunningham Gerrish Evelyn King Helseth Hazel Leonard LaBroad Marguerite Bridges Lynch Margaret Wilson McConnell Dorothy Goodwin McLaren Ada Lawrence Plumer Geraldine Brandon Reddington Ellen Draughon Sereque Dorothy Nickerson Schlag Kay Barrett Tamule Madeleine Rowell Trabucco Eileen Wolseley Leslie Thorud Yancey

Two others only attended the program on Friday: Dorothy Mathewson Purcell Lucile Howd Waldo.

In communicating with classmates prior to Homecoming, Ruth Farrisey and Helen Curran Bolger heard from the following 22 classmates by letter, phone call, or in their replies to a questionnaire. These, however, did not attend Homecoming:

Kathleen Armstrong Brauninger
Lucy Denio Bygrave
Jane Dexter Rosenow

Marjorie Harrison Kluge

Ruth Hathaway LeVielle

Esther Pietrasek Burgess

Celia Perttinen Warren

Bertha Navas Briggs

Nelma Soule Bradway
Elizabeth Vajkovec Bradbury
Edith Bengston French
Constance Bourne Norcross
Virginia Harrison Webster
Mary Ann Moles
Muriel Phillips Niles
Persia Towne Wangler
Josephine Latakas Kvaraceus
Grace Walsh Rooney Kelley
Margaret Bulman Grant
Charlotte Aubert Scott

Communications sent to the following 9 classmates were not returned by the Post Office but were not answered: Helen Lampinen Larimor Elizabeth Rae Sweeney Mary Rota Lucille Theroux Donohue Bernice Clark Paine Helene Cousin Stephens Grace Elizabeth Fisk Giddings Cleo Richardson Savery Eunice Plant. (A "Get Well" card was sent o Eunice Plant who had been in recent contact with Geraldine Reddington.)

Addresses were not known for the following 11 classmates:

Ruth Eastwood, Mary Poules Goeringer, Bertha Sneck Hinton, Marjorie May, Mary McJennett French, Emma Millette LaBritton, Annette Smith Jealous, Barbara Whiting Norton, Velma Carr Horton (known to be living in Australia), Julia Rourke Pastore, Marion Bigelow Massucco.

The following 17 classmates were recorded as deceased: Alice Belmont, Irene Carr Quinn, Eileen Coffey Opt, Aillean Costello Lister. Evelyn Franzen Hillstrom, Ruh Gardner, Barbara Healy Lancy, Josephine Hurley, Margaret Mahin Laurion. Helen Newman Gower. Josephine Woodhull Hensen, Virginia Platner Niles, Eunice Ranger Johnson, Mary Russ, Clara Shippee Webster, Isabel Vinton Persons, Dorothy Wood Streeter.

In addition to the general Homecoming Program, Helen Curran Bolger planned an Ecumenical Service at the MGH Hospital Chapel on Friday with three chaplains presiding, and readings given by Mrs Bolger. Mrs Bolger writes that she hopes this could be an annual event and that all classes might be represented.

Mrs Bolger also prepared a questionnaire which was answered by 32 classmates. Each attendee received a copy of the Questionnaire Facts and Findings; and a copy has been left at the Alumnae Office for classmates to peruse.

Class photos and snapshots were taken. Opportunities to renew "old acquaintances" were enjoyed both at the Homecoming and in smaller "get-togethers."

The class appreciated the efforts of the Alumnae Officers in putting together this annual event plus their multiple other Alumnae services and activities throughout the year.

All 50th Anniversary attendees received a Carnation Boutonniere and a gift of an MGH Tote Bag from the Alumnae.

1942

Dr Garey Halekas Forsyth is enjoying retirement in Green Valley, AZ where she says there is wonderful year round weather and mountain views that are gorgeous.

1949

Ruth Stronach Henshaw 8790 S.W. 96th Street Miami, FL 33176 Phone 305 596 5804

Jackie Auger Brown, Box 360, 265 West Rd, Rye NH 03870, is busy preparing for a Family Reunion, son and 2 daughters and their families. The finish work progresses



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on their house. She is planning on attending our 40th in 1989.

Pat Edge Wilson, 12706 42nd N.E., Seattle, WA 98125, wrote to Ruth Lowell and hopes to attend the 40th.

Dot Johnson McCann, 675 Summer St, Marshfield, MA 02050, her son got married and she is busy with grandchildren.

Mary Libbey Morris, 449 Franklin St, Reading, MA 01867, still works 3 eves a week at Woburn Rehab and says "all's quiet" right now.

Jean Lutz Perkins, 1120 Shadydale Ave, W Covina, CA 91790, just retired from school nursing, her husband retired 5 years ago. They have 3 adopted children and 5 grandchildren - the oldest is 4. She is a Hood Graduate and is looking forward to our 40th.

Margaret Manning, 354 Market St Apt #1, Brighton, MA 02135, and her sister Mary vacationed in Ogunquoit ME in June.

Lyn Poulter Ratcliff, Sleepy Hollow Rd, Richmond, MA 01254, attended homecoming and the CEU program.

Mary Scahill Challela, 97

Greene St, Hopedale, MA 01747, visited Trudy while attending a convention in Washington, DC.

Evelyn Smith Adamic, 1228 N Reeder Ave, Covina, CA 91722, is in a wheelchair with MS. Her son also has MS successfully treated with Prednisone. They are making plans to attend the 40th.

Barbara Stevens Wright, 2845 King's Deer Rd, Winter Park, FL 32792, is taking a trip to Australia and New Zealand in October. She has lost 35 pounds with Weight Watchers and is continuing with the program.

Ruth Tillson Lowell, 26 Jefferson Rd, Winchester, MA 01890, was at homecoming and the CEU program and is glad to hear people are becoming interested and planning to attend the 40th.

Trudy Walsh Hynes, 7307 Golden Iris Ct, Springfield, VA 22153, and Warren were in Ellsworth ME vacationing in August and is planning on attending the 40th.

Irene Wersslinger Swan, 19 Seaview Ave, Marshfield, MA 02050, says all is well and still working.

Ruth Stronach Henshaw,



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went to an Insurance Convention in Jacksonville in August and then continued in the Motor Home to Nova Scotia. Bob did not retire Jan 1st as scheduled. Remember to send news, views, and addresses to Jackie, Ruth or Ruth and keep planning to attend the 40th!

Six of us were able to attend Homecoming this year:
Jackie Brown, Dot McCann, Jean Perkins, Lyn Ratcliff, Ruth Henshaw and Ruth Lowell.

Final plans are now being made for the 40th.

1955

On April 7th a dinner was held honoring Marilyn P. Prouty after 16 years of service at Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital in Hanover, NH on her retirement as Senior Vice President of Nursing. She expects her retirement will be punctuated with extracurricular activities similar to those she has enjoyed so far, such as dog sledding.

1958

Ruth Gedies Russo 132 Woburn Street Medford, MA 02155 We're finally back in print again after fifteen years! We celebrated our 30th this year, and nine of attended Homecoming: Debbie Vilasuso Ella Potter Christian Sue Truby Peterson Judy Madden Fitzsimmons Karen Lindahl Hume (from California) Liz Johnson Grant (from Hawaii) Joan Cameron Fox Jane Wright Silveria and yours truly. It was a very enjoyable day greeting classmates that we haven't seen in a long time, an listening to interesting speakers explaining, slides, about the constant, on-going changes at MGH. At least the Bulfinch Lawn seens to be recognizable again.

We met again Saturday evening for a Class Dinner at the Parker House. Others, who joined us for the evening were Peg Handfield Simons and Dick, Judy Rogers Garfunkel, Ellie Bahler Perry, Dick and son, Christopher, Barbara Dickey Brown and Dick, Ginny Brayton Laurent and Pierre, Pauline McBrine Barkalow and Tom. Elaine Battles Paguette and Ron, McCabe McLean and Walter. Nancy Wall Alukonis and Brother-in-law Tom. Liz Grant's husband, Bruce, Joan Fox's husband, George, Sue Peterson's husband, Carl, and my husband, Steve also joined us.

We enjoyed reminiscing and catching up on all the news during a cocktail hour prior to our dinner. After a delicious dinner we gabbed again until it was time to leave. Plans for another "get-together" are in the works for our 35th and we look forward to seeing as many of our classmates as possible.

I will be sending out an up-dated class directory in the near future so be watching for it.

1959

Received a short note from Diane Floyd Baker who said that she and Lucy Baker Hofer and Phyl Harvey Smith recently got together at Phyl's home in Amherst. She is in Connecticut and has gotten reacquainted with Bobbie Petroff Hensick and her husband Frank.

1974

Jacqueline Mills Vaughn 5113 Avalon Drive Cape Coral, FL 33904 Bob and I were married in 1975, and moved to Florida in 1981. Except for a brief period in 1986, I have been in the nursing field since graduation. Currently I am the QA Coordinator for the Lee Visiting Nurse Service in Fort Myers. I would love to hear from classmates.

1977

Janet Hamburg RFD 1 Box 7020 Lisbon, ME 04250

I completed the graduate program in nursing at Boston College this past June and am now back in Maine working as a Clinical Specialist in Women's Health. Thanks to the financial support from the Annabella McCrae Loan Fund.

1978

Larry Carris P.O.Box 1547 Wichita Falls, TX 76307

Greetings from the great state of Texas. It is with deep regret that I am not a b l e t o make the homecoming this year. Between work schedules and other things it seems almost impossible to get away.

I would like to hear from



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58B

some of you. I have managed to keep in contact with Lil over the years.

To let you all know a little of what has happened since I graduated. After graduation I moved to Ohio. I enjoyed being back with my family for awhile and hunting and fishing.

In Ohio I worked at a large hospital and then was a Director of Nursing and a supervisor in a large plush nursing home chain. It was there that I net my second wife.

Deborah, is Italian, a nurse and an excellent cook. We moved to Texas in 1982. Deb enjoys ceramics, volunteer work with the church and MDA. We both enjoy handgun shooting, fishing, camping and traveling.

At the present time we are trying to adopt. For a year and a half we were foster parents and enjoyed it very much.

I work in the ICU at the Cardiac Center here in Wichita Falls. ICU work has become second nature to me. Deb works in a small community hospital.

A couple of years ago Deb and I got involved in an emergency team. We do a lot of disaster assistance and road side emergency care.

At the present time I am an EMT and awaiting an opening in the coming Paramedic program here. also studying for my CCRN. I would like to become a flight nurse for a while.

Wish I could be there with you all. I think of the old MGH often and the good times we used to have together.

May God bless you all and continue to grant you all a rich and rewarding career.

PLEASE NOTE:

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We love to get your news but please try to type it. It is almost impossible to decipher some of the notes and we really do want to try to get all of the news into the Record. Keep the news current and give us any new addresses you might pick up along the way.



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^{*}Please give husband's name, e.g., Mrs. John H. Jones

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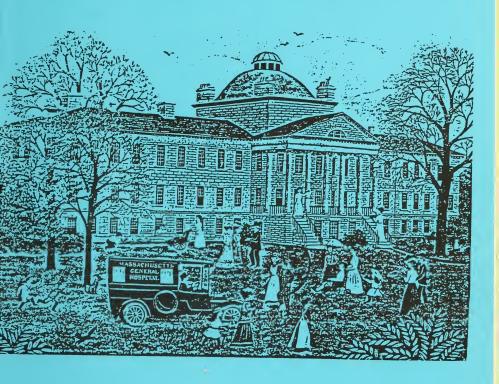
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MGH INSTITUTE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS GENERALIST COMPLETION CEREMONY

ADELE CORKUM AWARD

by Elizabeth Ryder

The Graduate Program in Nursing held its Generalist Completion Ceremony on May 5, 1989 at the JFK Memorial Library. Helen A. Stevens from the class of 1990 provided the welcoming address and introductions. Opening remarks were given by Patrick McCarthy, President of the Institute. Nancy Terres, Assistant Professor, gave a moving and energizing speech on nursing and Sarah Bansen (1990) summarized the nursing experiences of her class.

Dr. Elizabeth Grady, Professor and Director of the Nursing Program, presented certificates and pins to twenty-two students from the class of 1990. Each student also received a yellow rose and complementary membership in the Alumnae Association from Dorothy Mahoney, President of the Association.

For the last four years, the Adele Corkum Award has been announced by the President of the Alumnae Association during this ceremony. Ms Mahoney reviewed the criteria for award selection, based on the qualities that "Corky" displayed in her life and nursing career. This years award was presented to Maryanne O'Toole. The ceremony concluded with a toast to the Class of 1990 from Dorothy Kelliher, Adjunct Assistant Professor.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 1990 AND GOOD LUCK ON STATE BOARDS!

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CATHERINE HARRINGTON BOYD (1952)
Assistant head nurse, White Building; staff nurse Whidden Memorial (II years); staff nurse part time Phillips House (presently); Centennial Committee 1873; Alumnae Secretary (7 years); Vice President (5 years); current Treasurer.

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SUZANNE BURKE (1970)

Staff nurse medical pediatrics, University of California, San Francisco (1970-1971); staff nurse, Bulfinch 3 (1971-1973); Unit teacher Bulfinch 3/Bigelow 8 ICU (1973-1978); Research staff nurse MGH Medical Practice Evaluation Unit (1978-1980); staff nurse MGH Vascular Lab (1980-1984); Head nurse MGH Bigelow 7 (1984-present); member Mass Organization Nurse Executives - Council of Nurse Manager (1988-present).

ANN PETERSON HORRIGAN (1968)

B.S.N. University of Wisconsin (1976); MS University of Lowell - Gerontological Nurse Practitioner (1979); staff nurse, code call/night charge nurse, head nurse MGH (1968-1974); float nurse, assistant head nurse University of Wisconsin Hospitals (1974-1978); University of Mass Clinical Preceptor Program (1982-1985), Nurse Practitioner, Long Island Hospital, Boston (1979-1985), Braintree Hospital (1985-present); Member: ANA, MNA, Nurse Practitioner Group of MNA, Gerontolgical Society of America, Board of Directors (1983-present).

ELIZABETH RYDER (1987)

BA Clarke University - biology (1977), MGH Institute of Health Professions - MSN Oncology Nursing; Horticulturalist, Department of Mental Health 6 years; staff nurse Baker 7 MGH; Clinical Nurse Specialist of Post-op Pain Service MGH presently; Member: Oncology Nursing Society, Boston Chapter ONS, MNA, Faculty Adjunct MGHIHP.

PATRICIA SMETHEUST PERRY (1959)

Staff nurse Mary Alley Hospital; Home Health Care; staff nurse OB-GYN SalemHospital, staff nurse MGH 27 years currently staff nurse Phillips House 6.

NOMINATING

MARIA PALUCCIO DI NARDO (1972)

MGH Neuro ICU 3 years; assistant head nurse 1 year; staff nurse 5 years, IV Therapy 9 years - MGH; Scholarship Chairman, Nominations Chairman, Secretary INS, Nurse Consultant Kendall Co.; Cerified IV Therapy 1989.

ANN COSCO QUEALY (1964)

B.S.N. Salem State College 1984; MGH staff nurse, evening supervisor, head nurse Chelsea Health Center, presently Head nurse Medical ICU; Member: Mass Organization of Nurse Executives, American Organization of Nurse Executives, Sigma Theta Tau.

1921

Geneva Wayland was hospitalized at Yale New Haven in September and in October was transferred to Lea Manor. She is still there and is feeling better.

1922

We heard from Pauline Untersee Rigor da Eva who is at Brigham Manor in Newburyport, MA. She has 2 sons and 6 gradchildren and 1 great grandson, Nicholas, who was born in Germany.

1925

Earlyn Kinney Scott 2468 Laurelwood Dr. B Clearwater, FL 34623

She writes that she has lived in Clearwater for the past 32 years. Last February she had a right shoulder implant with ulna nerve involvement which has curtailed her activities.

Abbie Twomey Murphy died on October 22, 1988 in Newburyport, MA of Cancer. She left 2 sons, Peter and Paul and a daughter, Susan.

Gladys Beardwood Dutton is

at the Brentwood Home, Post Rd, Warwick, RI 02856, and would enjoy hearing from classmates.

Esther Martinson sent a card from her home in Rockport, MA and was able to attend Homecoming last September.

1933

Sympathy is extended to Helena McCarten on the death of her sister in August and her brother in October.

1936

Barbara Vivian Payne 47 Jewish Avenue Key Largo, FL 33037

She wrote that her daughter, Diane Floyd Baker '59 visited for 4 days on February from her school nursing job. She lives half the year in FL and the other half with her daughter in CT.

When Diane visited they were luncheon guests of Dr and Mrs Irad Hardy (Eva Borner Hardy '36) for a renewed and ongoing celebration of the MGH Tradition.

1937

Florence Korpela Watkins 1031 Ridge Ave Stone Mtn, GA 30083

Wrote to tell us of the death of her husband, Rev. Lamar Hancock Watkins on November 19, 1987 of C.O.P.D. and heart failure.

In the report from Agnes Malone Cotter we learned also of the death of Elizabeth Pierce Matson in September, 1988 after a long period of failing health. And of the death of William Arthur Hunt, husband of Marion Howland Hunt September 13, 1988. memorial tribute to him was held at the Ossipee Village Congregational Church in October.

1938

Grace Walsh Kelley 462-825 Rainbow Dr Westwood, CA 96137

I did miss the 50th Reunion but some very kind class-mates sent me news and pictures.

We left Schenectady in our Motor Home on April 11, travelled down the East coast as far as Key Largo, FL before heading west. We arrived at our home in the mountains May 15th. We did spend 11 days back in Schenectady to make the arrangements for my mother's funeral. She died on January 19th at the age of 95 having been diagnosed with cancer of the bladder on October 19th. My son, Dr. Rooney in Santa Rosa with his wife Miriam gave us another grandson on Feb. 5, 1989. We will be going down the mountain for the christening.

I am enjoying retirement much more than I thought I would. To pass the winter evenings when not square dancing, I am embroidering table cloths and napkins for our dining room table.

Helen Curran Bolger writes that less than a month after Homecoming she fell on the sreet in Boston and fractured her hip. She was hospitalized at MGH for 11 days. She's back on the island and feels fine now. She wants to correct an error in the last Record which indicated that received no communication from Lucille Theroux Donohue. In point of fact she returned her questionnaire and this is included in

the 1938 50th Reunion Book.

1940

Eleanor Call is now retired and works 2 mornings a week. She is planning to attend Homecoming in '89 and her 50th in 1990.

1949

Ruth Stronach Henshaw 8790 S W 96th Street Miami, FL 33176 (305)596-5804 Ruth Tillson Lowell (617)729-0554

Those planning to attend our 40th Reunion, Homecoming September 30, 1989: Jackie Auger Brown, Phyllis Chadbourne Lichtenwalner. Pat Edge Wilson, Peggy Fraser Bender, Dot Johnson McCann, Jean Lutz Perkins. Pat Malloy Kenniff, Lyn Poulter Ratcliff, Mary Schaill Challela, Evelyn Smith Adamic, Anna Spahl Hoffman, Barbara Stevens Wright, Ruth Stillman Fernandez, Ruth Stronach Henshaw, Ruth Tillson Lowell, Trudy Walsh Hynes, 16 so far!

We are missing 9 addresses: Catherine Brerenhan, Jean Brower Thistle, Frances Cavallo, Eleanore Cleary Guarino, Kathering Hogan Edwards, Phyllis Low Swift, Ruth Postler Parlon, Lois Lubinsky Rothamn, and Sara Wilhelm Babb.

Six of us who attended Homecoming 1988 (Jackie, Dot, Jean, Lyn, and 2 Ruths) have contacted various classmates.

News Christmas 88 & 89:

Jackie Auger Brown had a convention in Boston Feb 4 & 5, then a wonderful trip to Utah to see a new grandchild and enjoy 3 days skiing. Number 8 grandchild is due in April.

Barbara Stevens Wright is planning a tour of Boston and NE in connection with our 40th. She called one night to say the '57 is booked, but was able to reserve at Fenway Howard Johnson for \$85/night with AARP discount.

Jean Lutz Perkins still thinks and talks about our 39th reunion. She and Ed hope to attend our 40th. Jean has contacted our CA classmates.

Dot Johnson McCann was on the phone about her 3rd grandchld in Ohio.

Trudy Walsh Hynes's oldest

son Ken is getting married in Richmond, VA. Trudy and Warren plan to stay with relatives at Reunion time and will probably plan their Maine vacation at this time also. Trudy enjoyed a snapshot Dot sent of our 39th.

Irene Weisslinger Swan wrote "All's well." Bob has throughly enjoyed his first year of retirement, while she continues to enjoy dishing out ice cream. Two boys still at home.

Marjory Westcott Landrum decided to retire this year. They plan to sell their house and move to near Panama City Beach. Plans to make a NE trip that included the reunion have been changed by family commitments.

Pat Malloy Kenniff will stay with family in Beverly Farms at our Reunion time. Her mother is 95 years old!

Pat Edge Wilson expects to be staying with Chad at one of the Mariott Hotels during our 40th. Chad's son Mark works in the hotel chain.

Ruth Tillson Lowell is expecting another grandchild around September 15th.

Ruth Stronach Henshaw -Bob plans to retire June 1st and we plan to go to NS sometime in the summer. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the 40th.

1959 September

Pat Newnham 251 W Park Ave State College, PA 16803

Christmas is such a great time for keeping up with friends. I heard from Margo Johnson Taylor, and Jane Hartwell, but no news. Kathy Glendenning wrote from her office at William Raveis Real Estate that they are renovating their Southport home. son Craig lives in NYC and works for Colgate Corp. David is a student at Boston University. Kathy's mother is in a nursing home in Portsmouth NH. Kathy and Warren also spend a lot of time in Rhode Island at their beach house. Lucy Baker Hofer lost her mother Jan. '88 to a stroke. When she was in S Amherst, MA for the burial, she visited with Phyllis Harvey Smith and Diane Floyd Baker. Lucy and her family were in Boston just after Christmas. Ella Ladd Haselton is still in CA. Her husband Bob is with Litton Industries and Ellen works p.t. at Centinela Hospial.

She enjoys volunteer work at the Cabrillo Marine Museum. Her parents now winter in FL. Ellie Treinas Prevoski and Steve spent Thanksgiving in Blacksburg, VA where their daughter Anne and husband live. Anne is an RN working at the local hospital in utilization review. Her husband is a grad student at VA Tech. Ellie's younger daughter, Cyndy will graduate from Northeastern in June. the Dana will work at Farber Cancer Institute until she goes on to grad school. Ellie is still working with VNA. She is looking forward to our 30th Reunion. Diane Floyd Baker is doing school nursing with K-5 children and had a p.t. camp nurse job in the summer. Her 92 year old mother-in-law, her mother, and 2 of her daughters live at home. Don is enjoying his church and CT feels like home to them all. Dale has recently been transfered to a CT Psych Hospital so the family can visit more often. Meredith graduated from Middlebury in May '88 and is working at a Yachting Magazine in Stamford. Sue is taking a year off from college and went to a film and writing course at Yale in summer Pat Friss Newnham continues p.t. work at Centre Business School

teaching sciences. She was recently awarded the Benjamin Rush Award from the local Medical Society for volunteer work in the health field. She and Bob were in Europe in Dec. and India in Jan '89 for conferences. Bob will be inducted into the National Academy of Engineers Oct. '89. Randy is a 1st year grad student at UCLA in Soviet and Eastern European Studies. He will be working at RAND Corp. Rosemary is a freshman at Penn State, living on campus and loving it. All for now. Hope to see you all at the 30th Reunion!

> 1959 March

Mary Caira 19 Fuller Terrace West Newton, MA 02165

Last Homecoming a number of us got together. We had the pleasure of hosting Friday eve, and the Roys hosted Saturday eve.

Alice Burd couldn't attend due to other commitments.

Gail Clemmer called and gave this new address: 15 gave this new address: 15 Pine Rd, "Keenwich", Selbiville, DE 19975.

Gene Corcoran didn't come, as she is hosting a 16 year old Finnish man for the school year. She visited Finland during the summer, and stayed with the families of the young men whom she hosted in the past. She was treated royally as she toured a good portion of Southern Finland. She also involved, with John. in helping his aunt move when the Buzzards Bay home was sold. Gene coutinues to work year-round at the race track. She sends regards to everyone.

Nancy Campbell joined us for the weekend. All of her children are in college - Belinda is in NH, working as a receptionist and waitress, while attending UNH. Ellen is at Southern Connecticut State University. Kerry is at Muhlenberg College in PA and Andy is working in Landscape while attending College. Nancy has a time-share condo in the Berkshires.

Mal Cote is working in a nursing home. She has one grandchild, and 2 are on the way.

Roz Elms is teaching at Berkeley. New address: One Schooner Court, Mariner Cove #152, Richmond, CA 94804.

Elaine Flanagan and Jim are living in their new home in Orleans - it is a cape with contemporary touches. John and Stephanie, parents of James Robert (born in July), bought a home in Carlisle. Elaine is delighted to be a new grandmother.

Bunny Fuhro is the business manager for a group of 22 physicians. Vic is with the Administrative Staff of a nearby college. Their new address is 3808 Carmen, Brownsville, TX 78520. Their 2 daughters were married last year, and one resides in their NJ home.

Jamin Guarino is working in massage, energy balancing, and crystal healing. She has converted a room in her home into a studio. She is also an independent practitioner for a mental health group. The group, run by nurses, provides comprehensive in-home care for psych patients.

Maxine Hybarger continues to work in the Recovery Room and is in grad school. Ray is an environmental engineer with the Santa Clara Trasportation Agency.

Barbara Hemingway is on an

LOA from teaching while she finishes her Master's. Herman is fine. Angela is finishing up her degree requirements at Cornell, and Myra is at Suffolk Law School.

Sue Keohane sent no news.

Ruth Mann works at a nursing home while Ginger manages the family farm and seasonal maple syrup business. Martha is majoring in communications at University of Southern Maine. Doug is a Captain in the Air Force. Rebecca manages a Bed and Breakfast in Kennebunkport and is engaged, Their address is RR#1, Box 592, Carterbury, NH 03224.

Judie Muggiia was very involved in the celebration of Winchester's 350th Birthday.

Mary Romeo is busy with a growing number of grand-children.

Mary and Norm Roy hosted the group on Saturday. Mary had just returned from England, where she visited her daughter Kay, and new husband.

Bobbie Snyder, 180 West 58th St Apt 5B, New York, NY 10019, is doing some volunteer work with elder groups. Her illness (arthritis) prevents her from doing much more.

The Cairas - September was one hectic month for us. Our son Christopher married Tara on September 10th, at a big wonderful affair. Maria and Michael were in the wedding party. Michael moved closer to home, he now resides in Watertown. Maria is working with infants in a nearby daycare center.

1961

Elizabeth Hutchinson, nursing manager at Bridgton Branch of Community Health Services, Inc, received a Master of Public Health degree from the Loma Linda School of Public Health (Brunswick Maine).

1962

Kathleen Casey's chicken recipe was judged the best in the state phase of this year's National Chicken Cooking Contest and she will represent NH in the national cook-off in Hershey PA.

Carol Gandolf Hiller 1 King John Drive RR5 Londonderry, NH 03053

25th Class Reunion - to say that a good time was had by all may sound corney but true. How could we fail!

The weather was beautiful. Boston welcomed us with a warm September weekend and the homecomers were wonderful.

Several ladies arrived on Friday and after checking into the Park Plaza Hotel, spent that night reorienting themselves to the changes in the Boston landscape and the MGH buildings. The main events took place on Saturday, with about fifty classmates in attendence of the graduating (half class). After the Homecoming the class returned to the General for a wine and cheese party and tour. Our thanks to Inta Berzins, Barbara Podgurski Dunderdale and Barbara Wilson Mahoney for leading us through the maze of changes in the buildings. We chatted, hugged, snapped pictures, and reminisced at our party in the White Building Penthouse.

Our class dinner was held at

the Park Plaza Hotel - what a happy noisy group of ladies. The high light of the evening was reviewing the "old" section photographs we posed for the first week of training - remember - on the Bulfinch steps. Not one person could put a name on every face in their section. Carolyn Kenney Koehler is having negatives made of those section photos if anyone wishes to order one.

For the classmates that spent the night at the hotel, there were "mini reunions" in bedrooms that kept the hotel security busy with "noise" complaints.

Sunday was a day with brunch, sightseeing, picture taking, goodbyes and our promises not to let 25 years go by again without keeping in touch or getting together. It was a wonderful weekend and I am sorry more of you couldn't make it. We missed you.

Our reunion committe consisted of Belinda Briggs Asano, Jeanne Cunningham Morello, Carolyn Kenney Koehler, M Honor Keegan, Diane Grits Gurney, Mary Lovtere Compano, Grace Tabacco McGill and yours truely, Carol Gandolfi Hiller. And God willing, we'll be here to help plan our 30th!

Janis Grelotti Nelson died on January 18, 1989 after a long courageous battle with cancer. At the time of her death she was the administrator of the Health Service Unit at MCI Lancaster, a minimum security pre-release facitlity. Jan was the widow of Richard "Dick" Nelson who also died of cancer in May 1985. Survivors include Kristen 22, graduate of U Mass School of Management, Karin, 20, junior at Providence College, Karolyn 19, freshman at U Mass Amherst, and Kimberly, 18, Marlboro junior at School. Jan was an inspiration to all who knew her and will live in our hearts and memories forever.

Contributions may be made to: The Nelson Family Trust Fund, 37 Benjamin Road, Marlboro, MA 01752.

1964

Lynne Geever Moretti 231 Brigantine Circle Norwell, MA 02061

Twenty-eight years ago this summer, we were moving into 20 Charles St and beginning our nursing careers. Now, after going our separate ways and traveling different roads,

it's time to come together again to celebrate our 25th anniversary. Letters were sent in March to 50 classmates asking for assistance in locating the 43 "lost ladies". Twenty-seven responses yielded an additional 21 addresses. Needed are addresses for, or information regarding:

Madelyn Archey Carolyn Bates Helen Box Dottie Breen Johanna Brennan Cecilia Bukata Peggy Campbell Linda Chase Alice Cobb Gloria Diggs Arlene Doyle Blair Ferland Carol Grandmont. Pat Herbai Jane Jameson Sherry Koski Jean McLean Mara Olinto Martina Peterson Louise Reid.

On September 30th we have an opportunity to renew old friendships, to share our achievements, our joys and our sorrows, and reminisce about a time when we were just beginning "the best years of our lives". Please come!

Six members of the class attended last homecoming.

Sue Diller Patterson, 3771 Windridge Dr, Doylestown, PA 18901. She is married, has 3 children, and hopes to return to NICU nursing soon.

Cathy O'Malley, 7 Colby Rd, Roslindale, MA 02131. She is working in the OR at MGH as are Lili Bartasiunas and Mike Vislovsky.

Janet Nally, 12 Richardson Rd, Peabody, MA 01960. She is working intermediate care pedi at MGH part-time while attending Suffolk University Law School.

Claire DeWilde, 287 Hanover St, #5, Bostn, MA 02113. She is working in the ER at Brigham and Women's.

Patty Gazard, 3598 So 2300 E. #B, Salt Lake City, Utah 84109. She is assistant head nurse in the SICU at University Hospital in Salt Lake City.

Karen DeRosa Boardman, P.O.Box 982, York Beach, ME 03910. She is school nursing at York High School.

The above classmates had news of the following: Lisa Haeger, now M.D.! is beginning a fellowship in rheumatology/immunology at UCAL, San Diego. Her address is: 1797 Caliban Dr, Encinitas, CA 92024.

Diane Dickinson is a 4th year medical student at U M ass and is recently engaged. Her address is 72 Davis St, Northboro, MA 01532.

Sue Calnadrella Katz has a one-year old son, is living in Bedford and working part-time.

Maureen Gillen Lamb is married, living in the Napa Valley and working in the SICU in San Francisco. Her address is: 57 Hickory Rd, Fairfax, CA 94730.

Marcia Crowell is the unit teacher for the Burn Unit at MGH. Her address is: 2 Fairfield Ave, Melrose, MA 02176.

Roberta Cassassa Dee is also working at MGH.

Jane Irwin and Roberta Raskin are working in the Recovery Room at MGH.

Cassie Reilly is also working at MGH, has a son and a daughter and lives in Boston.

P.S. In the Homecoming photo we are (left to right): Claire, Sue, Karen, Janet, Cathy, and Patty.

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The office can not send out information nor can they make any arrangements for individual classes. The only events that the Association sponsors are the Friday CEU Program and the Saturday meeting, speaker, and luncheon. All other events are run by individual classes for their own reunion.

Many thanks to all of you who share your time and volunteer to work with the Alumnae and agree to run for office. If you are willing to become more active there are plenty of committees that are in need of help.

MARY MACDONALD PORTRAIT UNVEILING

On Friday evening, May 19, 1989 in the Walcott Room of the MGH a portrait commissioned by the Alumnae Association was unveiled at a reception given by the Alumnae and the Board of Trustees of the MGH. Richard Whitney, the artist did a superb job of capturing her likeness and the portrait will now be part of the permanent collection on display in the room.

IN MEMORIAM

- 1918 Eleanor Mitchell Murphy, 1989, at Clinton, Massachusetts.
- 1918 Eleanor Hurd, on November 28, 1988, at Brunswick, Maine.
- 1921 Clara Griffin Valentine, on November 11, 1988.
- 1924 Margaret Kirby Fitzpatrick, on October 29, 1988.
- 1924 Evadine O'Connor, on December 16, 1988, at Holyoke, Massachusetts.
- 1925 Abbie Twoomy Murphy, on October 22, 1988.
- 1925 Minnie Daffon Allan, on October 21, 1988.
- 1929 Margaret McFarry Becker, on April 11, 1989
- 1931 Olive E. MacNeill, on October 8, 1988, at Lincoln, Massachusetts.
- 1932 Mary Stuart Merritt Ricker, on March 31, 1989.
- 1935 Ruth Reinhart Hurley, on August 26, 1988, at Wellesley, Massachusetts.
- 1938 Helene Cousins Stevens, on December 26, 1988.
- 1941 Eleanor Burke, on December 15, 1988, at Woburn, Massachusetts.
- 1942 Myrtle Bouillion, on June 13, 1988, at Lafayette, Louisiana.
- 1950 Mary Ann (Greg) Gregory Chellgren, on January 14, 1989, at Burlington, Connecticut.
- Hope Ingersoll Anderegg, on May 6, 1989, at Carlisle, Massachusetts.
- Janice Grelotti Nelson, on January 18, 1989, at Marlboro, Massachusetts.

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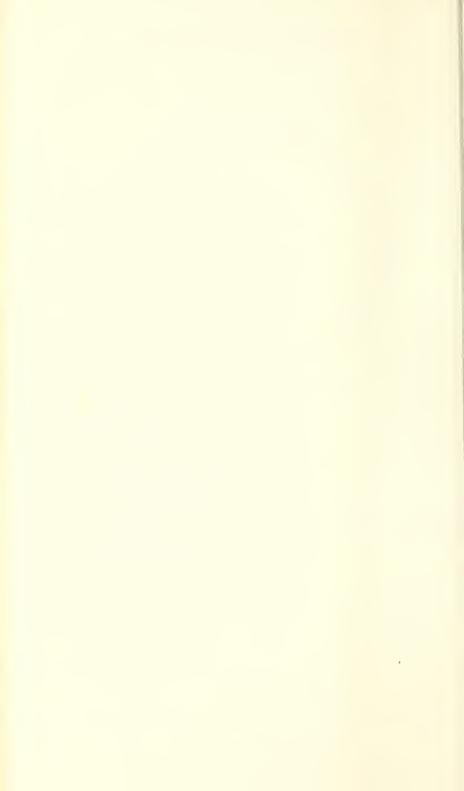
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HOMECOMING 1989

Many of those attending Homecoming started the weekend on Friday at the MGH by attending a CEU program on "Chronic Illness in Adolescents" given by Kathryn Pazola ('69). The program got rave reviews from all who were able to attend. (If you did not get to the CEU program remember we will have one the Friday of Homecoming Weekend each year so make yours plans accordingly). Immediately following the program there was a reception in the Wang Ambulatory Care Center. For many of the reunion classes this was the beginning of the social events of the weekend.

Saturday at the Howard Johnson "57" the business meeting started the day. Dr. Hardy Hendren was the speaker this year and all the reviews were exceptional. After the luncheon both Dr Elizabeth Grady, Director of the Nursing Program at the IHP and Mrs Yvonne Munn, Director of Nursing at MGH said a few words.

The Association honored the reunion classes and some special people at the luncheon with small gifts. And the Association wants to thank those reunion classes that generously contributed class gifts to both the Association and to the hospital Capital Campaign for the Nursing Conference Room.

It was wonderful to see everyone and thanks to all who attended and made the day such a success—we all are looking forward to next year. Next year as the new building will be open at the MGH we will also work to make sure that those attending on Friday and/or Saturday who wish to see the new facilities will have time to take a tour arranged by the Department of Nursing.

RECONSTRUCTION OF THE LONG DIVERTED URINARY TRACT (UNDIVERSION)

W. HARDY HENDREN, M.D.
Chief of Surgery, The Children's Hospital, Boston
Robert E. Gross Professor of Surgery, Harvard
Medical School and Visiting Surgeon,
Massachusetts General Hospital

There are many patients who have undergone urinary diversion in the past whose diversions can be reversed in light of our current knowledge of reconstructive urologic surgery. For example, many patients have been diverted because they had urinary incontinence because the bladder was too small and non-compliant. Many of these bladders can be rehabil-

itated by augmenting them with bowel.

The author has removed urinary collecting bags from 174 patients who had been diverted, for various reasons. Twelve of the diversions had been done by the author, usually as a stage toward ultimate reconstruction; 162 diversions had been done elsewhere. In 1/3 of patients the urinary diversion had been present for more than ten years. Ileal conduit, present in 64 of these patients, was the most common type of previous diversion. One adult had her ileal loop for 27 years! Others had colon conduits, loop ureterostomy, end ureterostomy, cystostomy, nephrostomy, or ureterosigmoidostomy. One patient had no kidneys, but was reconstructed prior to a renal transplant. Another had already been transplanted into an ileal loop.

The details of these operations differ from one case to another. However, Dr Hendren emphasized that there is a way to "UNDIVERT" the majority of patients who have a urinary stoma and a bag if there is a

bladder present.

ANNUAL REPORTS

ALUMNAE PRESIDENT

During the past year the Alumnae Board has held 9 meetings and a variety of small group conferences in order to carry out the work of the Organization.

Although I have served on the Board in various capacities for many years, while serving as President I have become increasingly aware of the work done by all the volunteers who help with the operations of the Association and its multiple activities.

vear were to pursue this

I have had beginning success in while presenting this award I my attempts and there are now could not resist sharing a bit several graduates from this about the "Old days at MGH". "era" serving on committees including our current secretary Also in May, Marjorie enrolled in the IHP and Liz (affectionaltely known as

It is my belief that this is a good beginning in assuring an even longer high quality life for our already "ancient and honorable" association.

In November, 1988 we held the Ruth Sleeper Reception for the Institutes Nursing students. scholarship was given to deserving second year student in Miss Sleeper's honor. usual Miss Sleeper's presence was a highlight as she presented the scholarship and shared her always inspiring comments with the students.

May was an exceptionally busy month. I attended, accompanied by Liz Ryder, the Pinning In addition to the ongoing Ceremony for the Nursing responsibilities of the students completing their President, major goals for me second year in the IHP Nursing Program. This was held at the recruitment of some of the Kennedy Library. I presented a more recent graduates (1970- rose to each student from the 1981) to serve on committees Alumnae Association as well as and to try to establish a a years membership in the stronger link with the graduates organization. The Adele Corkum of the IHP Nursing Program. Scholarship was presented to Maryann O'Toole and of course

Joanne Franklin '81 who is Goldthwaite Richardson Ryder '87IHP who has become Goldie) retired from her an active committee member. volunteer activities in the Alumnae Office. In recognition of her many years of service, the Board honored her at a dinner at the Colorado Public Library.

The finale of the May activities was the unveiling of the Mary Macdonald Portrait on 19th in the Walcott Room of the Wang Ambulatory Care The portrait Center. was commissioned by the Alumnae Association and contributed to the Hospital. The reception and unveiling was cosponsored by the MGH Board of Trustees who actively participated in the program which as attended by hundreds of guests. This portrait is truly beautiful and now hangs in the Walcott Room in "good company" with Sara Parsons, Annabella McCrae, Sally Johnson, Ruth Sleeper, and Natalie Petzold. We arranged to have Miss Sleeper attend which made the event even more special.

In early June, I attended the IHP Graduation on the Bulfinch lawn. It brought back fond memories but it seemed strange to see the Nursing Graduates in cap and gown instead of the starched white uniforms and the "MGH cap".

With good financial management and the ongoing contributions which we continue to need our Association is financially sound and we continue to be able to provide scholarships and loans to alumnae and nursing students. Recently we have been bequeathed a significant sum of money from the will of Bertella Tompkins '05. This will enhance our ability to provide assistance to alumnae members as this is the intent of the will. We are currently seeking advice on how to best manage this.

I would like to close by acknowledging that everything we do is facilitated by Lee Drago. our secretary and the office staff (mostly volunteers). Without them much of the activity would not be possible. Our only reward to them this year was a new typewriter. And of course without the volunteer services of all the Board and Committee members who share the organizations responsiblilities with me the Association could not survive. I sincerely thank each of them for all the help and support they have given me and look forward to working with them during the coming year.

> Respectfully submitted Dorothy Mahoney President

ANNUAL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

September 30, 1989

1. The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. by Dorothy Mahoney, President.

2. The minutes of the September 24, 1988 Business Meeting were read and accepted.

The reports were given by the President, other officers and alumnae secretary.

4. The election results were reported:

Vice President Mary A. Fisher '75

Treasurer Catherine H. Boyd '52

Board of Directors Ann P. Horrigan '68 Elizabeth Ryder '87

Nominating Committee Anne C. Quealy '64

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Mary E. Caira

ALUMNAE SECRETARY

Sixty three new members have increased our paid membership to 1,024. We have 96 complimentary

members. Unfortunately, 71 did not renew membership. Our sympathy is extended to the families, friends, and classmates of the 39 deceased members.

Our Fund Drive has raised to date \$11,186.00.

Special thanks to our volunteers, Marjorie Richardson, Miriam Huggard, Evelyn Lawlor, my co-worker Alma Robbins and all those who have contributed their services during the year.

Respectfully submitted, Eligia M. Drago, Secretary

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

On Saturday, September 24, 1988, at the Howard Johnson "57", Stephen H. Kaufman, Assistant General Director of the MGH and Charles Hall, Project Director for the new facilities at MGH were our guest speakers.

On Friday, September 29, 1989, at the Walcott Room, Wang Ambulatory Care Center, MGH, a CEU Program was conducted by Kathryn J. Pazola '69 on

"Chronic Illness in Adolescents."

Respectfully submitted Jan Blaine, Chairperson

ALUMNAE RECORD

Two issues of the Record were distributed this past year. It has been a good year with a fair amount of news being sent in by members but as usual we are still in need of your ideas. Don't forget we need your news - this is your magazine!

This year we have added a contributing editor to the staff, many thanks to Liz Ryder for her help and support.

Linda Lass-Schuhmacher Chairperson/Editor

RUTH SLEEPER SCHOLARSHIP

Each year at the annual reception for the MGH Institute of Health Professions Nursing Students in November, 1987, a Ruth Sleeper Scholarship is given to a second year student, who excelled in both the theory and practice of

nursing. The recipient this year was Lucy Hart Graves. We are still most fortunate to have Miss Sleeper attend this reception, make the presentation, and pass along a few words of wisdom to these nursing students.

Respectfully submitted Ann M. Cahill, Chairperson

ANNABELLA McCRAE LOAN FUND

Six applications were received over the past year. Three loans were granted as three applicants received the Fullerton Scholarship.

Respectfully submitted Carolyn Thayer Chairperson

SALLY JOHNSON/ FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIPS

The Scholarship Committee increased the amount awarded to \$2000 each. A total of three scholarships were awarded to the following nurses:

Anne Opuda '75 - BSN Priscilla Webster Ramsey '60 - PhD Joanne Franklin '81 - MSN The Committee wishes them the best as they further their education.

To apply for a scholarship, please obtain the form from the Alumnae Office and file it with the office before May 1st. You need to be an active member (i.e. paid dues) and a full time student as of the following September or January. Preference will be given if thedegree is in nursing.

Respectfully submitted Marlene Norton, chairperson

TREASURER'S REPORT

Thanks to the generosity of fund drive members our realized \$13,833 which with dues of \$15,280 provided our Photos in this issue of the operating budget. Because repayments to the McCrae Loan fund have been somewhat behind schedule. the Board voted to transfer \$3000 from the General Fund to the McCrae fund, making it possible to continue loans to our Alumnae who are seeking Orders should be mailed to further education.

scholarships from both the that appears

Fullerton Fund and the General Fund. In the coming year we hope to increase the scholarship amounts in keeping with escalating school fees.

We do not anticipate anv increase in dues for the coming year.

The detailed financial statement is available in the Alumnae Office, anyone wishing to see the full statement should come to the office during regular working hours.

Respectfully submitted Catherine Boyd, Treasurer

HOMECOMING PHOTOS 1989

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All orders must be received by January 15, 1989 - we will not be able to process any order received after that date.

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YEAR:

Homecoming - September 28

CEU program - September 27

All Reunion class functions must be made by the class - the office is not able to assist in any way other than with a list of class members.

NOTE OF INTEREST

In June, 1990 the ANA Convention will be in Boston. The Alumnae will be participating with the McLean Alumnae Association and the MGH Department of Nursing. Look for more details later and if you are planning on attending the convention come see us.

NURSES CONFERENCE ROOM IN THE NEW TOWER

Monies are still being raised to designate a conference room in the new building at MGH for Nursing. Donations should be sent to the MGH Capital Campaign and be designated for the Nurses Conference Room.

Many thanks to all of you who share your time and volunteer to work with the Alumnae. If you are willing to become more active by working on a committee or by running for office we want to know. If you also know of classmates who are not members then make sure you take the membership application from the back of this issue and mail it to them. You are the Association and we all must work together to keep the organization strong and alive. If you have ideas that might be of general interest to the membership, give us your ideas.

ful class. Love to you all. Ruth

1952 March

Elsie-Mary Hopkins Barnett 3341 Doncaster CT Va Beach, VA 23452

Six of our class attended homecoming including Dot Mahoney, President and Cathy Harrington Boyd, Treasurer of the MGHNAA, the smallest number that has attended in a long time.

Barbara Lumbra Peraino and husband Vin were hosts for a lasagna dinner that evening. those attending were Dot, a nurse manager on 8 West at Childrens' Hospital; Cathy, works on White 10 and has 7 children and 2 grandchildren; Rourke Holmburg, a Pat primary nurse at Spaulding with 5 children and 8 grandchildren, our sympathy extended to Pat on the death of her husband, Bert, last year; Flo Bell Dillon and husband Bob came Medford, she's been retired for a long time but Bob recently retired, they have one son: Alice Bellington Woodacre and husband Stan came upfrom East Freetown.

perhaps we will travel, both have retired and spend Thanks for being a wonder- a lot of time travelling, they have 5 children and 8 grandchildren: Barbara is also retired but Vin is still working, they have 5 children and 5 grandchildren, live in Belmont and are always gracious hosts know because I am fortunate to be able to stay with them when I come up from the Cape where I stay when not in VA, I am retired and have 3 children and 2 grandsons, husband Bill stayed at the Cape this time. Ingamarie Morgan Richardson, Harrington and Marion MacNaughton Rose were unable to join us Saturday night.

> encourage everyone to think about what we can do in 1992 for our 40h Reunion. Please let me know what is happening and I'll do my best to get it in the Record.

1953

Genevieve Manfredonnia Fitzpatrick was recently commissioned by her husband, Lieutenant Robert A., as a Lieutenant in the Naval Reserve. Commissioning ceremony took place on board the USS Constitution, Boston, Her 3 children, John, Lawrence, and Susan attended the ceremony. She is one of a few nurse researchers in the Navy Nurse Corps.

She received her Bachelor and Masters degrees from Boston College and a Doctorate in Sociology from Boston University. Currently she is a tenured Professor of Health Promotion at Bridgewater State College. She had also taught at Curry College, Newton Wellesley Hospital, McLean Hospital and MGH School of Nursing. She is an Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner in Family Health.

1958 September

Ruth Gedies Russo 132 Woburn St Medford, MA 02155

Greetings from the September section. I attended Homecoming and was happy to see Sue Truby Peterson, Judy Madden Fitzsimmons, Maryann Roberts Beaubien, and Janet Hames Crook.

Sue and husband, Carl spent three weeks in Hawaii last June, and had a wonderful time - driving and touring for a total of 1400 miles. Unfortunately, she wasn't able to contact Liz Johnson Grant. Sue's daughter, Laura, is doing her Residency in Emergency Medicine, helicopter flights, at U Mass Medical Center. Son, Mark, is in CA. Sue gave me a new address for Cathy Goss Newhouser. She is now living at 1691 Durrett Way, Dunwoody, GA 30338.

Janet Crook was leaving for vacation in Canada - Nova Scotia, and Judy Fitzsimmons is looking forward to a European vacation in the near future.

I received a letter from Carol Smith Mason, who is back in the Rochester, NY area. Carol is working per diem in a nursing home, daughter, Teena, is in Cambridge, so we may see Carol one of these days. Nancy Wall Alukonis is also living in Boston.

This past summer Steve and I were on Cape Cod, and finally visited Audrey Lawson Gray. She and husband, Bill, have a lovely motel, the Bradford Inn in Chatham. We had breakfast there and a nice visit. Her oldest son, Wayne, is married and is a pilot, daughter, Leslie, works in

Boston and is engaged, son, Robbie, works at the Inn and daughter Lara, is still in school. We hope to go back for a weekend in the "off-season".

Joan Cameron Fox and George have a lovely new granddaughter, Gabrielle, daughter of their oldest, Melissa.

Steve and I were out in the LA and San Diego area in August. We finally played tourist for several days saw Disneyland, Universal City, and other points of interest, before attending a convention in San Diego. Unfortunately, I didn't bring Joan Coombs Rabuano's address with me, and we didn't get to visit her. Our youngest, Patricia, graduated from U Lowell in June and is now a licensed Physical Terapist and working at Melrose-Wakefield Hospital. Our 2 oldest sons are married, our third is finishing his last semester at Salem State. We also have a lovely granddaughter, Briana Lyn, who was born last March. little doll, even if I do say so myself!

Hope to hear from more of you in the near future, and don't forget that we will be

planning our 35th dinner in a couple of years.

1959

Mary Flannery Caira 19 Fuller Terrace West Newton, MA 02165

Wright Burd, 7223 Alice Kidmore Lane, Lanham, MD 20706. Alice's Christmas letter reviewed a grand Miles' 3 months at vear. Harvard Business school for a program in Management Development was successful. They spent much of the summer at their cottaghe in PA, and plan to build their future home there. They also spent time discovering Germany, where Miles was on a business trip. Stephen continues with UPS while awaiting a career in enforcement. Alice regrets that she couldn't attend the reunion.

Gail Kent Clemmer, 15 Pine Road "Keen-wik", Selbyville, DE 19975. Gail has moved to her shore home in DE. She graduated with high honors, and was simultaneously bumped down to part-time status, due to decreasing enrollment. she is now working in the Bridgeville, DE school system. It is an

hour's drive from home, but she enjoys the countyside scenery. She has been unable to sell her PA home. Major rebuilding on her shore home created a nightmare, so her living arrangements are quite unsettled. David is doing very well in his job, has a new Porsche, and has traveled in Australia. Ellen is working in Lancaster, PA and has a steady Beaux. Gail's phone number is 302 436 2196.

Nancy Bassett Campbell, 218 Harvard Dr. Torrington, CT 06790. Nancy's post Christmas letter included a wonderful picture of the children and their friends and lots of news. She had a good time at the Reunion in September. Nancy had some bad experiences on a Med/ Surg Unit and shifted to a Child and Adolescent Psych Unit on the night shift. Andy is engaged and is majoring in history in college. Carrie has returned to school to participate in a regional acting competition. Belinda is in NH and Ellen is still in school. Nancy is in an exercise program to improve her cardiovascular fitness.

Marilyn Thayer Cote, Rte 782, Purcellville, VA, 22132.

Roslyn Ruggiero Elms, One Schooner Ct, Mariner Cove #152, Richmond, CA 94804.

Elaine Finley Flanagan, 92 Old Field Rd, No Chatham, MA 02650. Received a card from Jim and Elaine.

Amanda McCrae Fuhro, 3808 Carmen, Brownsville, TX 78520. Received a card from Bunny and Vic.

Jamin Schofield Guarino, 287 High St, Hingham, MA 02043.

Maxine Clark Hybarger, 335 Henderson Dr, San Jose, CA 95123. Enjoyed the reunion, had no other news in her card.

Barbara King Hemingway, 24 Alberta Rd, Brookline, MA 02167.

Eleanor Dyer Hamilton, 20 Queensland Rd, No Billerica, MA 01862.

Suzanne Seymour Keohane, 1818 Ridgeway, Colorado Springs, CO 80906.

Ruth Fife Mann, Carter Hill Rd, Canterbury, NH 03224. Her card included some great pictures taken at Mary Roy's in September.

Judith Palmer Muggia, 14

Dartmouth St, Winchester, MA 01890.

Mary Jannino Romeo, 4 Stephanie St, Burlington, MA 01940.

Mary Duggan Roy, 11 Beach St, Weston, MA 02193. I saw Mary and Norm at Church one Saturday last winter they are well and busy with their family.

Roberta Ftizgerald Snyder, 180 West 58th St Apt 5B, New York, NY 10019. Received a card from her.

The Cairas: Mike has had problems with his Arthritis. A chiropractor finally succeeded in giving him pain relief, when medications failed. Young Michael is busy with work and concert choir. Chris and Tara are adjusting to married life. They bought a time-share at Vistana in Orlando, hopefully we will get to enjoy it some day. Maria recently became engaged to Jimmy Murray they plan to be married in the Fall of 1990. I am still active with the Alumnae and have started to work with MNA. Mike and I enjoyed a week in Orlando last February - with all its wonderful, fun sites.

Do hope I'll hear from you.

1961

Marlene Norton is alive and well and still working on Burnham 5, but looking forward to working on one of the pediatric floors in the new building next year. She co-facilitates a support group for parents, whose children have cardiac defects. She is also a resource nurse for American Hirschsprung Association. Please contact her at 23 Cabot Rd. Danvers, MA 01923 if you would like information. Spare time is spent in her garden of 100 roses!

Betty Matricaria Hutchinson attended Homecoming with her mother (class of '39). She is nurse manager in Community Health Services. Her son, John, is a junior at Carleton College in Minnesota and Anne is in the 7th grade.

Ann Lynch Durfee is still working in the NICU at MGH. Ellie Love Marchi is on one of the Bigelow floors.

Ann Quink Young still in Gardner MA - School Nurse,

involved in theater. Her oldest son is following in her footsteps and had applied to serve in the Peace Corps.

1964

Lynne Geever Moretti 231 Brigantine Circle Norwell, MA 02061

The 25th reunion actually began for me on Thursday, the 28th, when Jane Grady and Jane Grelotti (I'm using maiden names here) arrived at my house from Hawaii and Florida, respectively. had a lovely evening together. Mary Anne Yahoodik dropped by to leave the envelopes for Saturday's dinner with me (you may remember that she had to attend her brother's wedding Saturday).

The 30th dawned absolutely gorgeous - bright blue sky sunny and warm. After picking up Carol Gulczynski, from California, we joined other classmates for the Alumnae lunch. Among the first smiling faces to greet us were Blair Ferland who had just flown in on Bar Harbor Airline, and Pauline Dinapoli from RI. Floreid "always prompt" Walker from Oregon was buying her

ticket at the door. We followed the squeals of joy and shrieks of recognition and found Pat Buckley and Cecelia Bukata from RI, and Pamela Gaherin from PA. We were so busy getting reacquainted, that we missed the class picture being taken behind closed doors!

Being a very persuasive group we managed to have a retake with the rest of the attendees. They were: Karen Anderson Judy Brennan Pat Herbai Mary Ellen Hogan Nancy Huk (RI) Jane Jameson Judy Johnson Janet Lawrence (NC) Linda Lichaz Jane Lingel Dodie Littlefield (ME) Betsy McQuarrie Joy Marshall (NH) Ruth Mathewson (VA) Bobbie Miles Linda Prisby Marge Sneddon Connie Szymczak Elaine Taft (NH) Jan Viera Jo Walters (NH) Joanne "Wooly" Wooldridge Jo Worden Martha Wells (PA) Arriving late were: Dottie Breen (NC) Lynne Bigelow

We were happy to see many other familiar faces at the luncheon - Ms Ruth Sleeper and Ms Helen Sherwin in particular.

Leaving after lunch were Karen A and Pat H (she had to go to work) and Pauline left to chat with her en route. Norma Hansen came in, and we all departed, en masse, cameras in hand down Charles St. We stopped at our old dorm, 20 Charles, now a bookstore. (editors comment - it belongs to the hospital and houses offices among them the IHP - first floor is rented out stores). Other highlights included the "7"s. Phillips Drugstore and Harvard Gardens. Imagine our surprise finding Kathy McLaughlin and Margie Mitroupolis standing on the corner! Crossing Cambridge noticed that Street we except for the White Bldg the good old MGH had changed dramatically. Waiting patiently for this rowdy group, at the Walcott Room of the Wang Ambulatory Care Center, were Ann Cosco (our wine and cheese hostess) and classmates: Charlotte Byers (MD) Jan Corbett

Nancy Holt (RI)

Arlene Doyle

Jane Covey
Barb Holden
Pat King
Maggie McCormick (NH)
Sue Molloy
After touring the hospital,
we all returned to the
Boston Park Plaza Hotel.

Thankfully, Mary Anne Y. arrived in time to preside over dinner that evening. and we welcomed classmates to join our happy gathering: Lonnie Brooke Maria Gallagher Peg Campbell (CT) Carole Grandmont A total of 54 out of 93 classmates participated in the day's events!! Doctor Watson, (Pam Gaherin), gave the invocation, and we remembered our deceased classmates - Irene Agurkis. Kathy Boyle, and Marcia McCracken with a moment

A 29 page Class History, with biographical sketches of 79 classmates, including photocopies of a few choice letters, was handed out to the participants. Floreid's 140 (and my 25) slides were shown midst oohs and aahs and lots of laughter. Then the 6 husbands in attendance

of silence before settling

down to lots of reminiscing.

graciously lined up all our cameras and took yet another, larger group picture of the Class of '64. The evening ended too soon, and many of us continued our conversations into the night, elsewhere in the hotel. Sunday, another golorious day, found many of us regrouped for breakfast and long good-byes. Even Weeze Jovan came in to visit upon Charlotte Byers' request.

Those classmates who did not come, missed a very special gathering, that enriched all our lives. Next time, be there - we missed you! You really can "go home again."

P.S. I'm keeping the address list stored in the computer so it can be updated. Maybe next time it won't take 7 months to find people. And if anyone ever locates: Carolyn Bates Morris Diane Cobb Clarke Pat Noonan Mahoney Martina Peterson Louise Reid Please inform me.

See you in 2014 (for our 50th) if not before.

Janet Petrosso Zildjian, 14 Adams Ave, Watertown, MA 02172 - sent us a note after homecoming with some news. and Zaven will be married 25 years in January and have 4 children: Mark, 24. graduate of Boston University teaches Culinary Arts in Boston, Dianna, 21. is attending Boston University. Armen and Michael are both attending Watertown High and are in their senior and sophmore year respectively. Zaven is a financial analyst for TAD Technical Services, Cambridge.

For the past 8 years she has been the owner of a nursing referral service: Nursing Care Planners, Inc located in Watertown which provides a wide range of services to hospitals, nursing homes and for home care.

She did finally graduate with the class of '66 but spent three quarters of her nursing school days with the class of '65 and hopes that when people begin to make plans for the 25th that they remember to send the material along to her.

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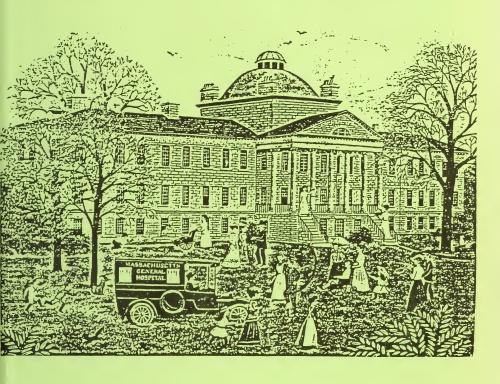
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See You at the ANA Convention in Boston!

Booth Number 116

The MGH Institute of Health Professions Graduate Program in Nursing

CLASS OF 1991

A Class Profile

by Elizabeth Ryder, RN MSN (IHP '87)

May marks the time of year when the graduate nursing students complete their generalist requirements and move onward into their speciality arenas. This year the ceremony and celebration was held on May 5 at the JFK Library. The Alumnae has established the tradition of welcoming these nurses into the Association at the ceremony with roses and a complementary year membership as well as giving the Adele Corkum Award.

To let you know a little bit about this entering class, I have gathered a class profile. Please help me welcome the Class of 1991 into the MGH Nurses Alumnae Association....

Number in Class: 26 Mean Age: 28

Other general statistics: 4 men, 22 women, 2 married, 24 single, 3 parents.

Aspiring profession: To become clinical nurse specialists in the following areas:

critical care - 10 gerontology - 3 oncology - 2 women's health - 11.

Previous College Majors: English, French, Russian, German, International Affairs, Sociology, Psychobiology, Dietetics, Social Work, Biochemistry and Biology.

Previous Work Experience: Tourism, Sales, Computer Programming, Social Work, Research, Family Planning, Paramedic and Peace Corps.

"Why we went into nursing":

a desire/wish to help people

Nursing requires all of you - not just your mind

a holistic approach is unique and desperately needed.

"Why we intend to stay in nursing":

the flexibility, versatility of nursing opportunities
one can work anywhere in the world

you can keep growing in the profession - laterally and up the ladder.

Where do you see yourself in 5 years:
as a clinical specialist and/or nurse practitioner
in private practice
in a women's health clinic
in inpatient settings.

What are some of your lasting memories during your first clinical rotations?:

Being scared of the nurses

My fear of giving a bed bath, helping someone onto a bed pan and my inability to fold a draw sheet like my instructor.

The support I received from my clinical supervisor when a patient took out her fear and anger on me.

The first time a patient said "you'll be a great nurse" and "Thanks for being here today".

The dying patient who told me "you're going to finish the program aren't you?" as he hugged me

When my patient thought I said "confessions" instead of "questions" and decided I was a priest!

What is unusual about your class and/or about yourselves?: The incredible diversity of our class We fight alot, but still seem to get along We have a bond that transcends our differences

Good luck to you all in your speciality year and welcome to the Alumnae.

INSTITUTE CORNER

The Graduate Program in Nursing's Clinical Judgment Enhancement Project

In January 1990, the Institute, with support and collaboration from the Department of Nursing, embarked on an educational experiment designed to accelerate clinical learning in the first year of the nursing program. One half of the class experienced the traditional teaching-learning model in which one faculty member works with a small group of students, enjoying a relationship with a clinical unit as a whole. The second group was paired (1:1) with college educated staff nurses throughout the hospital on adult inpatient units. The pairs were supported by resource faculty who were assigned to groups of student-staff nurse partners. The course in which this experience was embedded is a basic medical-surgical course titled Nursing Practice: Common Problems in Adult Health. The preceding clinical course, in which students became acclimated to the hospital environment and learned basic skills, was taught exclusively by faculty.

The major purpose of the new model was to explore the potential for enhancing the clinical judgment of students by providing direct linkages with staff nurses. This arrangement increased the number of patients and clinical judgment opportunities to which the students were exposed, and, theoretically enhanced their clinical judgment skills. Obvious benefits to staff nurses include extending their hands in the care of patients, new access to faculty and its attendant outcomes, and the intellectual stimulation provided by the collaboration in general. Clinical Associates, as the involved staff nurses were titled, became eligible to take one (1) free course at the Institute following the completion of the project.

An Implementation Task Force comprised of Institute and Department of Nursing representatives met prospectively for several months to consider all of the issues representing the interests of education and practice in this proposed collaborative effort. They will reconvene to conduct an evaluation according to a predetermined plan.

At the time of implementation it was anticipated that the Project would open new possibilities for education-practice bridges. I hope to be able to report positive outcomes for all participants in a subsequent report.

Elizabeth M. Grady, PhD, RN

Investing in our future

MGH nurses contributed \$25,000 to the Capital Campaign to dedicate a conference room on the 16th floor of the Ellison Building. Called "Investing in Our Future," the one-year fund-raising effort was coordinated by a committee of nurses headed by Deanna Pearlmutter, Ed.D., Director of the Surgical and Psychiatric Nursing Service.

Contributions came from nurses, satisfied patients and families, nursing alumni, MGH Institute of Health Professions faculty, and the Mary E. Macdonald Fund. Mary Macdonald is a former Director of the Depart-

ment of Nursing.

The MGH School of Nursing Class of 1963 gave a donation in honor of its 25th Anniversary, and several clinical nursing units and services made group contributions. "The success of this campaign is a testimony to the willingness of

MGH nurses past and present to invest in the future of the MGH," commented Dr. Pearlmutter.

The conference room in the Ellison Building will have a plaque recognizing the contribution. The plaque also will list the names of all contributors. A permanent conference room for nurses eventually will be situated in Tower 2. Dr. Pearlmutter stresses that, although dedicated to nurses, the conference room on Ellison 16 is open to everyone.

The Capital Campaign earlier this year surpassed its goal of \$169 million. The Ellison Foundation of Boston pledged \$10 million that vaulted the fund to the \$175.4 million mark. The MGH Employee Capital Fund Drive, completed in 1986, netted more than 1,000 contributions and nearly \$5 million.

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Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Association

Application for Sally Johnson Scholarship and Felicia Kulig Fullerton Scholarship

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Active member in the Alumnae Association
- 2. Minimum of two years of full-time employment in Nursing
- 3. Full-time student for semester succeding scholarship award
- 4. Application filed before May 1st
- 5. Return if other full tuition grant awarded
- 6. Preference will be given if degree pursued is in Nursing

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Revised 1986

ANNABELLA MCCRAE LOAN FUND

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INC.

HISTORY AND PURPOSE

The fund was established in 1930 by the graduates of the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing and is maintained by voluntary contributions. The purpose of the fund is to provide loans to Fully Priveledged Members of the Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Association, Inc. to aid them to further education in the field of nursing.

ADMINISTRATION

The fund is administered by a standing committee appointed by the Board of Directors of the Alumnae Association.

AMOUNTS OF LOAN AVAILABLE (a minimum of \$ 500.-- or a maximum of \$ 5,000.--)

A sum not exceeding \$ 5,000.-- may be borrowed for an academic year of study.

A sum not exceeding \$ 2,500.-- may be borrowed for one semester.

QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANTS

Active and continued membership in the alumnae association prior to and for the duration of the loan period.

Good health and suitable personal qualifications.

Acceptable academic standing and professional achievement in nursing.

PROCEDURE FOR MAKING APPLICATION

Forms may be obtained from and when completed should be returned to the Chairman of the Loan Committee.

Applications must be received by June 1st of the year for which the loan is needed for the Fall semester.

Applications must be received by September 1st of the year for which the loan is needed for the Spring semester.

REPAYMENT OF LOAN

The presonal signature of the applicant is the only guarantee required.

Repayments are made on a monthly installment plan, payments being due on the 10th of each month, commencing three (3) months after completion of the program.

The amount of each payment is to be decided by the Committee in consultation with the applicant at the time the loan is made.

Interest starts at the beginning of the second year, and is 2% of the balance for that year. The rate is then increased to 4% simple interest, on whatever balance is remaining at the end of the second year. There is NO PENALTY of early repayment of the loan.

Repayment of loans of \$ 500 .-- to \$ 2,500 .-- are to be completed in three (3) years.

Repayment of loans of \$ 2,501.-- to \$ 5,000.-- are to be completed in four (4) years.

Exceptions of the above may be made at the discretion of the committee.

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APPLICATION FORM

ANNABELLA MCCRAE LOAN FUND

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Date of Graduation	from MGH			
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IN MEMORIAM

- 1920 Hilda G. Blaisdale on February 24, 1990 at Franklin, Maine.
- 1920 Barbara Williams on March 13, 1990 at Falmouth, Massachusetts.
- 1922 Beatrice M. Corthell on February 23, 1990 at Boston, Massachusetts.
- 1925 Gladys Beardwood Dunton on March 14, 1990.
- 1927 Elizabeth Dickens Totman on October 6, 1966.
- 1929 Anna Wedell Campbell on October 1989.
- 1929 Dorothea Keough Berry on January 13, 1990 at Atlanta, Georgia.
- 1931 Elizabeth Parker Hartl on January 14, 1990 at Boston, Massachusetts.
- 1931 Wanda M. Acorn on May 2, 1990.
- 1933 Lillian F. Norton on January 10, 1990 at Ceder Rapids, Iowa.
- 1934 Lois Beech Hackett on December 25. 1989 in Sacramento, California.
- 1934 Adeline C. Joseph Coelho on December 4, 1989 at North Truro, Massachusetts.
- 1938 Eunice Plant on November 1, 1989.
- 1938 Barbara Healey Lancy on October 9, 1987.
- 1940 Mary Louise Carpenter Van Horne on May 20, 1979.
- 1943 Betty Brewer McDonough on April 3, 1990.

- 1944 Henrietta (Peggy) Brown Gessay on February 17, 1990 at San Diego, California.
- 1945 Priscilla Hoxie Price on 1987.
- 1947 Mary Virginia Sellers on November 6, 1989 at Acton, Massachusetts.
- 1950 Marcia Cudlitz on June 13, 1989.

Eleanor Page Bowen - MGHSON Faculty from 1939 to 1942 died February 22, 1990 in West Palm Beach, Florida.

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If not, you are really missing a fascinating experience.

A CENTENNIAL REVIEW 1873 - 1973

The Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing
by
Sylvia Perkins

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To be held
SEPTEMBER 29TH
at
HOWARD JOHNSONS'S
'57 RESTAURANT
BOSTON

REUNION CLASSES

REMEMBER:

The Homecoming information is only sent to those who are active members. If you are planning for September, make sure that all of your classmates join or get the info out to them yourself. The office can get you a class list.

The office can not send out information nor can they make any arrangements for individual classes. The only events that the Association sponsors are the Friday CEU Program and the Saturday meeting, speaker, and luncheon. All other events are run by individual classes for their own reunion.

Many thanks to all of you who share your time and volunteer to work with the Alumnae and agree to run for office. If you are willing to become more active there are plenty of committees that are in need of help.

PLEASE MAKE A NOTE:
The Alumnae Office has moved into larger and more luxurious quarters. The office is now located on the first floor of Ruth Sleeper Hall in part of the space that used to be the Palmer Davis Library. The office hours have not changed but all are welcome to come and visit on Tuesday or Thursday from 10 am to 3 pm.

There will be tours available of the new Ellison Building at the MGH for anyone interested after the CEU Program on Friday, September 28th and on Saturday, September 29th after Homecoming. These tours will start in the White Building lobby. More information will be available on the days of the programs. The building will be fully occupied by September and worth a visit.

In April the IHP Nursing Program held an Auction to raise funds for a scholarship for nursing students. Some copies of old photos (duplicates of the ones sent to the Countway Library Archives for the schools historical collection) were sold. It was delightful to see alumnae from as far away as New York join in the fun and help to make this program a success.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION INC.

CALL FOR ANNUAL MEETING

DATE: SATURDAY. SEPTEMBER 29, 1990

TIME: 9 - 10 A.M.

PLACE: HOWARD JOHNSON'S "57"

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Boston, MA

Sincerely, Joanne Franklin Secretary

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LINDA LASS-SCHUHMACHER (1967)

B.S., M.Ed., Northeastern University. Staff nurse Pediatrics, Instructor - Practical Nursing (1967-1984), President and owner Semjon Lass Associates, Tour Operator (1975-present), Adjunct Faculty Department of Sociaology, Suffolk University, Boston (1984-present), Health Education Coordinator, MGH (1985-present). Past President MGHNAA, currently Chairperson and Editor Alumnae Record, Alumnae Representative to the IHP and Historian for the MGHNAA.

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B.S.N. Mass College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences. Staff nurse, Supervisor, and Head Nurse Orthopaedic Nursing MGH (1963-1982), Currently Head Nurse Surgical Nursing Service MGH(1982-present). Chairperson Head Nurse Committee MGH, Member Mass Organization of Nurse Executives, Sigma Theta Tau. Currently Chaiperson MGHNAA Nominating Committee.

SECRETARY

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B.S. Emmanuel College, curently attending MGHIHP Oncology Specialty. Staff nurse MGH (1981–1987), Clinical supervisor, Surgical/Psychiatric Nursing Service MGH (1987-present). Member Oncology Nursing Society, MNA, Board member ACS Lynn Division. Currently Secretary MGHNAA.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RITA K. BARRY (1975)

B.S.N. University of Massachusetts. Staff nurse Medical, Staff nurse ICU, Unit Teacher, Supervisor MGH (1975-1984), Clinical Coordinator Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis MGH (1984-present). Currently Board of Directors MGHNAA.

SUZANNE BURKE (1970)

Staff nurse pediatrics University of California, San Francisco (1970-1971), Staff nurse, unit teacher, research staff nurse, staff nurse Vascular Lab MGH (1971-1984), Head Nurse Medical Nursing Service MGH (1984-present). Member Mass Organization of Nurse Executives, Council of Nurse Managers MGH.

DOROTHY MAHONEY (1952)

B.S. Boston College, M.S. Boston University. Staff nurse, clinical teacher, head nurse Pediatrics MGH (1952-1957), Supervisor, Instructor Pediatrics, Malden Hospital (1959-1964), Instructor, Chairman Pediatrics, Chairman Maternal & Child Health, Coordinator Maternal & Child Health, Care of Patient in Surgery, Ambulatory Nursing MGHSON (1965-1981), Head Nurse Children's Hospital Medical Center (1981-present). Member MNA, Mass Organization of Nurse Executives. Secretary MGHNAA 9 years, currently President MGHNAA.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

BARBARA CARTER (1968)

B.A. Emmanuel College, M.S.N. Anna Maria College, Presently enrolled M.S. Program Tufts University. Staff nurse, Unit teacher, Supervisor, Clinical Leader MGH (1988-1987), Staff Specialist Surgical Nursing MGH (1987-present). Member Management Council, Head Nurse Management Development, Chairperson: Recruitment and Retention Committee, ANA Convention Taskforce and Coordinator Council and Committee Structure MGH.

MARY JEAN CONROY (1977)

B.S.N. Northeastern University, Orthopaedic Nurse Certified. Staff Nurse, MGH (1977-1979), Staff Nurse, Queens Hospital, Hawaii (1979-1980), Head Nurse MGH (1981-1984), Staf Nurse orthopaedics MGH (1984-present). Member National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses, Sigma Theta Tau, Gamma Epsilon.

ANNE P. MANTON (1960)

B.S.N. Boston State College, M.S. Boston College, PHD Candidate University of Rhode Island. Saff nurse (1960-1978), Office of Emergency Medical Services DPH (1978-1980), Manager Emergency Nursing Service, Faulkner Hospital (1981-1983), Administrative Manager Norwood Hospital (1988-present), MGHIHP Faculty (1983-present). Member ANA/MNA, Emergency Nurses Association (Chair Standing Committee on Education), North American Nursing Diagnosis Association, Sigma Theta Tau, Nursing Continuing Education Committee DPH.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES! ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INC.

HOMECOMING 1990

HONORING THE FOLLOWING CLASSES

1930 - 60th Year 1965 - 25th Year 1940 - 50th Year

1980 - 10th Year

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1990

atHoward Johnson's "57" 200 Stuart Street Boston

Registration & Coffee Annual Business Meeting Program

8:30 9 - 10 10:30 - 12

NURSING IN TRANSITION: LOOKING BACK TO THE FUTURE

GENEVIEVE A. FITZPATRICK (MGH '53)

12 - 1 RECEPTION 1 - 2:30 LUNCHEON

Please fill in and return the enclosed card by September 4.

If you are making arrangements for others, please be sure to include name and address to avoid duplication of reservation.

REGISTRATION, MEETING, & LUNCHEON - EIGHTEEN DOLLARS

\$18.00 FEE MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME RESERVATION IS MADE. Restricted to 300 reservations so reserve early. All luncheon reservations must be made by September 4.

NO LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR.

LOAN FUNDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Please note that in this issue of the Record we have included copies of the applications as well as the criteria for both the Loan Funds and the Scholarships that are available to Alumnae members who are continuing their education.

Over the past few years the number of applicants has remained constant but the amount of tuition for all schools has dramatically increased. The amounts now available on the funds reflects this. We hope that those of you in school will be able to utilize these resources.

For a full application please write to the Alumnae Secretary or Fund Chairperson.

1917

MARY WILLIAMS sends thanks to the Alumnae for remembering the older graduates. She is still in her own home, alone now, drives (locally) and enjoys bridge and other activities. At 95 she says she's doing quite well. She also mentioned that MARGARET DIZNEY '26 is 99 and is very frail.

1920

R. LOUISE METCALFE MCMANUS sent us a note with her new address: c/o Joan M. Lawrence 71 Cottage Street Natick, MA 01760.

She wrote of her stay at MGH in the White Building last October:

"I could identify as MGH graduates a few among the supervisory or administrative staff that I saw. Those who spoke with me probably doubted my claim to be 93 years of age and an MGH graduate, admitted to the School of Nursing by interview with Sarah Parsons just before she left

for France to take charge of the MGH Nursing Unit. Three years later as first of class to complete the program and thus received the very first diploma awarded by Sally Johnson as the new Director.

After my long period of hospitalization at Mass Eye and Ear, MGH, and Parker Hill Rehabilitation Hospital, I am glad indeed to be in my daughter's home in Natick, being well cared for by my daughter and granddaughters, aided by the Natick VNA as needed.

I appreciate very much the quality and quantity of skilled care provided to me by the surgeons and nurses and other health care givers who contributed so much toward my good start on recovery.

1924

HELEN M B SIMONSON sent greetings to all the alumnae. She was 88 on December 23rd and writes that she had a good year.

CORINE SPILLANE sent a note with her new address:

121 Forest Drive Leesburg, FL 34788 She is now a widow, age 83 and still hears from 2 classmates.

1931

GEORGIANNA HATCH BRACEWELL writes that she is in good health and happily living in Alabama with the nephew she brought up. She sends her love to all with memories of hard work, yet many happy moments.

1933

In a note from BARBARA FRANK KNAPP '59:

It is with great sadness that I write to you to let you know that LILLIAN NORTON, my aunt, died peacefully on January 10, 1990. As many of you know, she moved to Cedar R a p i d s , I o w a , m y hometown, in September when she could no longer live alone. She moved into a beautiful retirement community where she could

enjoy assisted living while still surrounded by her own furniture and maintaining her independence, she was making many new friends and participating in our family get togethers. However, in November, the leg ulcers which ha ve bothered her through the years became a problem again. In addition to this, she developed a bad upper respiratory infection after Christmas. In spite of antibiotics and a lot loving care, she didn't have the strength to fight for recovery.

We brought Aunt Lill back to her beloved Boston where her wishes were carried out. She had a beautiful funeral Mass her church of over years, Our Lady of Lourdes Church, in Jamaica Plain, On January 15, she was buried with her other relatives in New Calvary Cemetery.

I wanted each one of you to know how important you were to her. She cherished your letters and friendship through the years. To me, Aunt Lill was my "other mother", especially during the years I lived in Boston going to school and work-

ing. I will miss her terribly, but know that she is now at peace with God.

1934

In a note from MARJORIE HOGEN we learned of the death of LOIS BEECH HACKETT on December 25, 1989 in Sacramento, CA. She had been ill for 18 months with cancer. She leaves her husband Joseph and two children, Joseph Jr and Jill Hackett-Sherrill.

1935

BETTY FLETCHER CARROLL writes that she has entered a poetry contest and submitted one of the poems she wrote in 1932 while in training at MGH.

1936

EUNICE PIKE sent a note "I have many happy memories of the days at MGH".

the right ankle.

Our 50th anniversary of our graduation from MGH will be celebrated this year at Homecoming on September 29, 1990. A questionaire has been sent to all of our classmates. If you haven't returned yours, please do so as soon as possible. Do you know of any changes of addresses? Please let the following know:

Feb. section: Mrs Josephine E Keaveney 76 Oakdale Avenue Dedham, MA 02026

Sept. section: Miss Carolyn Dean 45 Longwood Avenue Brookline, MA 02146

1941

EBBA R RAY sent us a note with her new address: Pine Oaks Village 30 John Nelson Way Harwick, MA 02645
This is a pleasant retirement cottage community of 100 3-room apartments about a half mile from Harwich Center. The timing was perfect for the move as she was finally getting more independent after a complex open fracture of

1948

In a note from SANDRA YOUNG BROWN '56 we learned of the retirement of NORMA MAC EDWARDS DODGE as Director of Nurses, Rockingham County Nursing Home, Brentwood NH in December.

1948

The editor and the photographer from Homecoming last September to make a formal wish appology to the members of the February section of the class who attended program. Because in problem development the photos of the group that were taken were not printed in the Record and could not be retrieved as the negatives were beyond repair. We hope that any members of the group who took photos will share them.

R U T H S T R O N A C H HENSHAW sent along the class news. Bob retired and they will tour in the Motor Home starting sometime in May and ending in Nova Scotia.

JACKIE AUGER BROWN received a long letter from FRAN CAVALLO. FRAN and PEGGY FRASER BENDER found out they have lived close to each other for 8 years and are planning to have lunch together.

FRAN CAVALLO, 1851 NE 62nd St, Ft Lauderdale, FL 33308.

JEAN LUTZ PERKINS -continues as part-time nurse in several school districts. Husband Ed recently received a new pacemaker. They are plannin a trip to Hawaii in april and in June an Elder Hostel trip to Hood College, where Jean received her BS degree.

EVELYN SMITH ADAMIC -daughter Kathy put her mother on the speaker phone. After our reunion Evelyn was so sick with the flu, that they couldn't

continue on to see her brother in NJ. She has now rcovered from the trip.

BARBARA STEVENS WRIGHT - Herb hasn't retired, but they are getting ready to go to England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales May 17th. Barbara is still busy as Treasurer of the Women's Group at Church.

RUTH TILLSON LOWELL - Grandson #3 was born on March 25, 1990 - looks like John or Ruth or both? Ruth keeps busy with guests, and entertaining her ladies group. She said that crocuses and daffodils were in bloom. She brought forsythia in to bloom.

MARY LIBBEY MORRIS still working 3 nights a week. All's well.

TRUDY WALSH HYNES - Daughter to be married April 21st. Will be near Ellsworth ME the month of August again this year. Heard from Peggy Fraser and Mary Scahill.

MARGARET MANNING and sister Mary are fine. They are enjoying the Spring flowers.

DOT JOHNSON MC CANN - have 2 more grandchildren due in July.

IRENE WEISSLINGER SWAN - All's well. Plan to spend the summer in Vermont.

ELIZABETH SMITH - Retired March 9th. May do volunteer work to teach children English. Marg Wescott called after the reunion.

LYN POULTER RATCLIFF All OK. Still a Visiting Nurse.

JOAN PARIS POLEN -After the reunion had a wonderful afternoon visit with Patty Morse in NH. Planning a trip to Colorado to go skiing.

We were saddened to hear of the death of our classmate Meeshie Pearce Joel in November 1989. Before her death, she was able to enjoy the video tape of our 40th Reunion that Dot J. sent to her.

Please send any news or views to our 1990 Class Rep: Jackie Auger Brown Box 360, 265 West Road Rye, NH 03870 Phone: 603 964 7936 September 1951

JOAN VAILLANT PARENT 265 Wilson Street Marlboro, MA 01752

SHIRLEY DUNCAN DRISCOLL last sent a note in September of 1989. She was still working but hoped to retire in April of 1989. Her address is 105 Furlong Drive, Universal City, TX 78148.

GLORIA GILSON KALB has been living in Tyler, TX. She hasn't done nursing since 1973. Instead. has been a "Jack of all trades" in the family business. Husband, Jim, is President of their small oil company which has it's office five minutes from home. She has done a good deal of reading to "keep up" with nursing, but sees many changes not all for the better. Gloria has three young adults - 27 year old Sgt in the army stationed in Germany with his wife and two children, 24 year old daughter is married to a teacher and coach with one child and live in Tyler also, and a 23 year old daughter is a computer analyst for Mobile Oil in Dallas, Gloria has not been to Boston since her husbands MIT

reunion nine years ago.

Notes from Christmas Cards

OLGA SADOTTI AASEN - planning the wedding of her first daughter in February - states it will be an expense - 8 bridesmaids!

DORIS STONE BERGERON working three days a week in OBS in NH. She is rambling around in her old house since her husband, Noel, died suddenly a year ago. All her children are grown and have left the nest. Grandchild #7 due in May. Her address is 183 Academy St, Laconia, NH 03246

MARION DECKER MANES sent a card from the Cape. Daughter Robin and family are moving to Kissimmee. FL with three of Marion's four grandchildren. Needless to say, she will miss them - but will plan to re-visit Disney World and Robin will return to summer on the Cape. Marion sold real estate to Grace Hendrick's Presswood who was in the class of 1950? or earlier. They see each other often.

Also, Marion writes of the death of a Jim Pastoriza (Pasty), who was Marion

Kelleher Evans best man. He died of Gastric Cancer. J.B. STOCKS MOORE's son was married in Concord in June, DORIS SEARS came up from Florida for the wedding and then traveled on to Maine, JOAN MC CARTHY PETERSON - living in Maine - retired, with husband. Pete. and in love with the Maine views, wildlife, and Peace and Quiet. Joan is busy with "Toys for Tots" at Christmas plus grandchildern - Corey (4 years) and Briana (6 1/2), in first grade! Joan's daughter Paula's husband had recent surgery and is now recovering. Andrea's husband, Ron, works with Blue Cross Blue Shield and working on his MBA.

Are you all planning to attend our 40th in 1991? Start thinking and let's plan.

The Parent Household is busy — between working full time (myself) in Long Term Care and the support (financial and otherwise) to a Prospective (2nd year) Med. Student life is hectic! Anyone care to write the NEWS?

MARCH 1952

ELSIE-MARY HOPKINS BARNETT 3341 Doncaster Ct Virginia Beach, VA. 23452

BARBARA LUMBRA PIRAINO wrote that she is busy with wedding preparations for her daughter, Diane, who is a pediatrician.

CATHY HARRINGTON BOYD and her husband, Ed, were on a golfing vacation in the Bahamas. Cathy had spoken to JOANN BREWER HELD who lives in Arlington, Texas.

DOT MAHONEY had heard from JOYCE YOUNG PASSOS; also from ALICE BILLINGTON WOODACRE who with her husband Stan were vacationing in FL.

CAROLYN BRYANT SPOONER and husband Dick daughter in visited their Sacramento Ca. in Mav 1989: while there they JANE visited Tom and ECKERSALL MARCHI who had survived the 89 earthquake. Carlyn has written that her daughter and family have moved back to Baltimore to further their studies and so

the family is again near to each other.

JANET HARRINGTON called to say she had surgery in April at M.G.H. She was in Phillips House and said everyone was so nice. Cathy Boyd visited her and had arranged to have flowers from the MGHNAA waiting for her in her room.

JOAN HUTT BERANCK wrote on her Christmas card that she has 2 granddaughters and the family would all be together for Christmas.

After surviving hurricane Hugo in Puerto Rico where with a Methodist was Mission team I fell on the tennis court running for a backhand and broke my nose and glasses; severed my lip and broke a front tooth off. It kept me off the courts for two weeks. This spring Bill and I took a six week vacation to Gulf Shores Ala., and then on to Arizona to visit our daughter. We will be at the Cape again this summer, hope to see some of you there.

Thanks to BARBARA PIRAINO for most of this news.

group "Best Friends".

PAT NEWNHAM 251 W.Park Ave State College PA 16803

It is always exciting at Christmas to hear from MGH classmates. CAROL FRENCH PUBLICOVER enclosed a lovely picture of her seven grandchildern. She is fortunate to have all her family, except for one daughter, living nearby her Florida home. Carol is working in Home Health Care for Winter Park Hospital. She continues her classes at Florida Southern College and will graduate with her BSN soon. She really enjoyed her Public Health practicum in England in May 1989. She lived in a castle for a few weeks and took weekend trips to Edinborough, Paris and London!

ELLA LADD HASELTON enjoyed having her parents visit in Westchester, Ca. with her and Bob. Ella works part-time at Centinela Hospital and volunteers at Cabrillo Marine Museum. She also trains her shetland sheepdog for obedience trials and visits nursing homes with a volunteer

JOAN HARTWELL works as Assistant Director of Nursing at a Boston area nursing home. She took a cruise through the Panama Canal in Spring 1989.

KATHY GLENDENNING JONES has changed careers and is working in Real Estate. She traveled in Europe in October 1989 when Warren was there on business. They continue to enjoy their Rhode Island summer home on the ocean. Their son David graduated from Boston University and is working there now. Craig is working in New York City.

ELLIE TREINAS PREVOSKI visited with MARGO JOHNSON TAYLOR in October when Margo was in Worchester for a medical seminar. Ellie had a benign breast lump removed in September. Her daughter Cyndy is working at MGH in the Pediatric Pharmacy. Her older daughte is moving back to Mass. after her husbund completes his master's degree in Engineering in Virginia.

LUCY BAKER HOFER brought her father to a

nursing home in Plattsburgh after a bout with congestive heart failure. Her son David is 14 and enjoys school dramatics. Lucy was in a serious car accident in December, but her seat belt saved her from injury.

MARY FURBER RAYMOND has another grandchild, a boy, born in Fall '89, brother to 2 year old Jennifer. Al retired in February '89. Mary continues to enjoy school nursing. They visited Nova Scotia during the summer. MARY JANE HARTWELL and MARY (Mickey) MCCARTHY PERRY visit together. Mickey's son Jim was married in May '89.

DIANE FLOYD BAKER enjoys her multigenerational household. Don's mother Pat is still active at 93 and Di's mother Barbara (also MGH graduate) is busy with acting and college classes. Di is working as a school nurse. Daughter Sue had a monologue from a play she wrote staged at Hunter College. Meri is working for Club Med. in the Caribbean, Daughter Dale is improving slowly in a nearby Connecticut Hospital. Di sent news of ALICA MCGRAITH TURIELLO, who unfortunately discovered she had a brain tumor two years ago. She keeps close to home, but is able to run a small craft's shop from her house. She displays crafts from artisans on the North Shore and if anyone is in the area, she would enjoy having you visit. Craftsman's Corner is at 22 Pine St., South Hamilton MA.

Newnhams are doing a lot of traveling. We were in Scandinavia for three weeks this summer. Bob was elected to the National Academy of Engineers in October '89. The Bussiness School Pat was teaching at closed in December '89 so she is at home presently keeping busy with volunteer work. Rosemary is a sophmore at Penn. State University and son Randy is a 2nd year graduate student in Soviet and Eastern European Studies at U.C.L.A.

Well, this is all for this time. Please send news of 30th Reunion for those of us who were unable to attend. Thanks.

MARY FLANNERY CAIRA 19 Fuller Terrace West Newton MA 02165

ALICA WRIGHT BURD 7223 Kidmore Lane Lanham, MD 20706.

GAIL KENT CLAMMER - 15 Pine Road "Keen-wik" - Selbyville, DE 19975.

Gail's home in West Chester was finally sold, after many complications. Her job in Delaware was upgraded, so she will remain in Delaware, at her lovely waterside home. After coaxing by David, she bought a new black Porsche 944 and is enjoying her new power toy. David is still living in Texas. Ellen loves living nearby in Lancaster. Gail misses Academia terribly, but there are no colleges nearby.

GENE SHAFFER CORCORAN
6900 Fitzpatrick Dr.
Laurel, MD 20810.
The Corcorans had a very busy year. Their exchange student, Tero, returned home in July. His brother Arto will arrive in August

for the 90-91 school year,

2 students also spent 5

summer weeks with Gene

and family. Gene had foot surgery in September. JD was married in August in California - he became a husband and a father to his wife's 2 childern, ages 4 and 10, all at the same time. Gene and John were unable to attend the wedding, so are looking forward to meeting their new family members. Susan had a second child, so they have 4 grandchildern at this point. Danny is still at home, and is working at Hechinger's. John is still with the Navy Yard, and active as President of the Lion's Club and with the local Democratic Club. Gene expects to be Head Nurse at the 2 Race tracks.

N A N C Y B A S S E T T CAMPBELL

218 Harvard Dr., Torrington CT 06790

Nancy has made some job changes, and is now working evenings on an adult psych unit at the Univ. of Conn. Health Center. Belinda, Ellen, and Carrie are all juniors at their respective colleges. Andy is a senior, and is engaged to marry his long-time sweetheart in August. Nancy had two wonderful vacations, visiting the Cotes,

Flanagans, and Muggias. She reports that Moms in the group are all fine, and offspring are also doing well.

MARYLIN THAYER COTE Rte. 782, Purcellville VA 22132

ROSLYN RUGGIERO ELMS One Schooner Court -Mariner Cove # 152, Richmond CA 94804

ELAINE FINLEY FLANAGAN - 92 Old Field Road., North Chatham MA 02650

Elaine updated on her growing family. John and Stephanie have a son, James Robert (Jamie), born in July, 1988, and are expecting another in August. Kevin and Ann became parents this spring.

AMANDA MCCRAE FUHRO 3808 Carmen, Brownsville TX 78520 Received a card from the Fuhros.

JAMIN SCHOFIELD GUARINO - 287 High St. Hingham MA 02043

M A X I N E C L A R K HYBARGER 335 Henderson Dr. San Jose CA 95123

Maxine and Ray's Christmas letter was full of news. Their home escaped major damage in the October 17th quake. They mementos lost some and valuables. The family all were safe. Maxine returned to the hospital where people were treated minor injuries. Maxine and Ray cruised around and vacationed in the Hawaiian Islands. They even investigated job opportunities but found they would have to take 30% payouts in an area where the cost living is 40% higher. They also were American parents to two Japanese girls for the summer. These young ladies worked their way into their hearts, and Max and Ray hope to visit them in Japan in a few years.

B A R B A R A K I N G HEMINGWAY - 24 Alberta Road, Brookline MA 02167

E L E A N O R D Y E R HAMILTON 20 Queensland Road N.Billerica MA 01862

SUZANNE SEYMOUR KEOHANE 1818 Ridgeway - Colorado Springs CO 80906

RUTH FIFE MANN

Carter Hill Road Canterbury NH 03224

JUDITH PALMER MUGGIA 14 Dartmouth St. Winchester MA 01890 Judie's picture greetings was full of news. They vacationed in Paris and at Ski Areas. Young Al married Mel in March, and is at Beth Israel doing Immunogenetic Research. Will is at Harvard Business School. Frank graduated from B.U. Law school. Judie is still a selectman and will coordinate the qubernatorial debates for the State League in the fall.

MARY JANNINO ROMEO 4 Stephanie Street Burlington MA 01940

MARY DUGGAN ROY 7 Rambling Woods Drive Morristown NJ 07960 The Roy's had some major changes in their lives. The Barry Wright Corp., which Norm was part of for 21 years, was sold, and longer exists. Norm is now President of the Financial Executives Institute, which is made up of chief financial officers of substantial companies, with membership of 13,000. Norm Mary, and their youngest child. Paul.

moved to N.J. Mary Eileen is living in the Weston home, and is working for a local business. Ann. Tim. and 2 year old Christian are living in Billerica. where Ann has started a small business doing mailings. and temporary office work. Kathleen and her husband Richard living in London, where Kay is a buyer for the American Company, Espirit. Michelle is a senior at Boston College and will be married in August. She will move to Austin, where her fiance. Joe is a Ph.D. candidate at the Univ. of Texas. Ellen is a sophemore at Boston College, and spent a month in Thailand. Paul is attending a small Catholic high school in N.J. He's enjoying being an "only child". Mary is planning to obtain licensure in New Jersev, and may work when life settles down. Norm and she vacationed in Paris.

ROBERTA FITZGERALD SNYDER 180 W.58th St., Apt. # 58 New York, NY 10019 Receieved a card and brief note from Roberta. She has no news at present.

The Cairas.

I am at Leonard Morse Hospital in Natick, as a staff nurse and supervisor. I tried a management position at another hospital. and it just wasn't right for me. Mike remains a Mass Gas & Electric. Young Michael remains in insurance - he looks wonderfull with 50+ lbs. off, and a newly grown full beard. Christopher (and the noisy. huge Doberman, DIO) will move back home in May, as his marriage did not survive. Maria is engaged to be married to James Murray in October. They plan to rent the apartment just across the street. I had planned to have an empty nest on October 7th, but such will not be the case. Also, we decided to do major remodeling and redecorating of the house, and are currently in the midst of chaos. I did get away for a wonderful week in Florida in February. And, Mike and I plan to spend a week in Orlando in October, weeks after the wedding.

I missed hearing from some of you this year - and hope I didn't misplace some letters! Will look forward to hearing from you. If I get news, I'll gladly send

out an update.

Also, for those of you that are local - one of our former instructors, Genevieve (Mannfredonia) Fitzpatrick will be speaker at Homecomina. She'll be talking on the History of the School on Saturday, September 29th. She also will do a program Reduction Stress Friday. September 28th. Please let me know if you wish to attend either or both programs.

1961

In a note from SALLY WICKLUND, we learned she is the editor of Nurse's Drug Alert and not only writes for NDA but also for 4 similar publications. keep clinically updated, she works per diem on the inpatient unit of Cabrini Hospice in New York City. Her son, David, will araduate with honors this May from the University of Virginia.

1976

Wedding announcement: ANNE MERCURIO to Kevin Joseph FOGARTY. Congratulations and Best Wishes.

ELIZABETH LADA has recently moved to Connecticut. Her address is 111 Park St.# 6A New Haven CT 06511

After working 3 1/2 years in the Transplant Unit at MGH she has taken the position of Head Nurse in the Transplant Unit at Yale New Haven Hospital. She would appreciate hearing from any MGH Alumnae in this area.

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HOMECOMING 1991: SEPTEMBER 28TH C.E.U. PROGRAM 1991: SEPTEMBER 27TH

NURSING IN TRANSITION: LOOKING BACK TO THE FUTURE

MGH HOMECOMING 1990

Genevieve A. Fitzpatrick RN, PhD, ARNP, LT,NC, FNP, USNR

Part 1: Introduction

The weakness and the strength of nursing is inextricably intertwined with the nature of a female dominated profession. From the time of primitive man and the beginning of recorded civilization, the role of nurses developed against the historical backdrop of the role of women in society. Thus, we must trace the roots of the profession from a time past when God was a woman to a time present where women and the androgynous male through their key profession, nursing, strive to recapture the power of that cultural memory.

Some Highlights of a Slide Presentation on the Theme

"Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to report it", Santayana 1905-6

"The happiest women like the happiest nations have no history", George Eliot (Marian Evans Cross)

Section I: When God was a woman

A remembrance of the early status of women and the

patroness of health, the Goddess Hygeia.

Section II: Nursing-Robinson, "The nurse is the mirror in

which is reflected the position of women through the

ages"

An analysis of the myth and substance of the nurturant role of women and the nurse.

Section III: Nursing in the Changing World - Class issues/the

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Some benchmark occurrences in the historical development of nursing.

Section IV: The American Nurse

The organized hospital, the professionalization of nursing, war and the nurse's contributions to the war

effort.

Section V: A Celebration of the Modern Nurse 1890-1990

Highlights of technology and the professionalization of

the nurses role

The nurse as missionary to the impoverished, the

needy

The nurse as specialist.

Section VI: Looking Back and Forward - On to MGH

The Boston Training School (The MGH SON) opened its doors in November 1873 with a Superintendent, 2 head nurses, 6 pupils to take charge of 2 wards. Under the leadership of Linda Richards (followed by a series of illustrious nurse leaders including Ruth

Sleeper), the school in 1896 reverted to MGH control. It has <u>not</u> disappeared but has been <u>transformed</u> to a modern institute foe the Health

Professions. Welcome Home.

Summary and Conclusions

And, now, the journey not yet over must, for our purposes today, end. Let us not misunderstand. Our struggle in nursing is not for dominance - our struggle is for equity. I am reminded of a recurrent question asked of credentialled nurses - why did you not go to medical school? And my response? Why settle for dessert when you can have a 10 course meal and dessert!

What we are as women and as androgynous males is our strength. Our weakness lies in the rejection of those feminine qualities that make us unique in the healing professions. May your future as nurses and MGH alums fulfill all the promises of your past.

I leave you with the warmest of Navy farewells. "Fairwinds and Following Seas

ANNUAL REPORTS

ALUMNAE PRESIDENT

The past year has been a very busy year for the MGH Nurses Alumnae Association. Despite the fact that the Diploma School of Nursing has not graduated a class since 1981 the interest and involvement of Alumnae members is significant. Slowly but surely we are "adding new life" as the number of graduates from the MGHIHP Nursing Program increases. We continue to work hard to nurture this relationship and we are very fortunate to have two excellent Board members from the Institute.

I have continued with some success to work towards my ongoing goal to recruit the more recent graduates from the Diploma Program to serve on committees.

Eight Board meetings were held between September and June. In addition, many small groups met to carry on the business of the Association.

In November of 1989 we heald the Ruth Sleper Reception for the IHP Nursing students and presented two scholarships to deserving students. Miss Sleeper's presence delighted the students as it did all of us. My only regret was that we did not capture on film the wonderful response of the students and the interactions between them and Miss Sleeper.

In addition to the ongoing activities two major events occurred during the year which have impacted positively on the Association. In

February, we were informed that it was necessary for us to vacate our office in Bartlett Hall. When Mr Martin from the Space Committee, advised us of this there was no panic as he assured us that space would be provided for us. With negotiation we eventually were provided with space in Ruth Sleeper Hall which was our expressed preference. We are very pleased with our "New Home". It is significantly larger than the previous one which makes it a more pleasant and efficient environment. incurred a few expenses for needed furniture and supplies but we are now able to hold our Board meetings in the area. We truly felt respected as a part of MGH. The room was prepared for us and the move efficiently carried out. Although we are aware that Ruth Sleeper Hall will not remain as it now is for much longer we feel confident that we will continue to have a home at MGH. Those who graduated after the mid sixties will remember the Library in Ruth Sleeper Hall. We now occupy the Reference Section on the far right (Gibson Room). There are many others who graduated much earlier, as I did, who will remember Miss Gibson as the School of Nursing Librarian for many years.

The other major event that occurred during the past year was that we have inherited a significant amount of money from deceased MGH Graduates. The already existing Felicia Kulig Fullerton (class of 1931) Scholarship Fund grew significantly when her husband, George, died leaving us the remainder of his estate. A major inheritance was received through the will of Bertella Tompkins (class of 1905) and her

sister (class of 1908). This money is less restricted and we have formed a committee to establish guidelines for its use. The committee will meet soon but in the interim the Board agreed to invite all who graduated 60 or more years ago to be our guests at Homecoming. Although not all are able to come there are usually quite a few who do attend. We all know MGHers are a hardy group. There was an aditional inheritance from the estate of Grace Garland (class of 1933) and an inquiry from another Alumnae member that may generate more funds. This truly reflects how important the MGH School of Nursing has been to our graduates. Be assured that these funds will be responsibly managed.

In May I attended the Pinning Ceremony for the MGHIHP Nursing students at the Kennedy Library and awarded the Adele Corkum Scholarship to a deserving member of the class. The traditional rose and a year's membership in the Association was given to each student. I was very impressed with the talent in this group as they presented an outstanding program about their class.

In June, Linda Lass-Schuhmacher represented the Alumnae at the Institutes Graduation Ceremony. Also in June the ANA Convention was held in Boston and thousands of nurses converged at the Hynes Auditorium. We were invited to participate with MGH, the IHP, McLean Hospital and Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital in preparing and manning a Booth and also in sponsoring a Reception at the Sheraton. This was a successful

venture which was enjoyed by many MGHers.

I leave the Office of President with a good feeling of accomplishment, a great awareness of how much work is carried on by the Association and a great appreciation of the dedication of the office staff and volunmteers. This dedication was truly tested when I ecperienced personal crisis in May and June due to the illness and death of my Mother. During some of this time I was unable to carry out the duties of President. I was not only supported in my grief but was assured that all ongoing business would be carried out and it was done with competenct. I would like to publicly thank the office secretaries and voluntees, Lee Drage, Alma Robbins, Mim Huggard and Ann Cahill. All the Board members also deserve recognition but especially Carolyn Thayer, Cathy Boyd, Linda Lass-Schuhmacher, and Jan Blaine to whom I deferred many tasks that were willingly and ably carried out...

In closing I would like to make you aware that I also leave this office with one serious concern, the decrease in the numbers of Alumnae who volunteer to help keep Association operating. This was particularly apparent when it was impossible to find any candidate to run for President Elect. Fortunately. Linda Lass-Schuhmacher agreed to run again. There is no doubt that she will do as fine a job as she did several years ago. However, I foresee that this problem will continue in the future. I plead with the vournger Alumnae to volunteer for committees and run for office. It is enjoyable, satisfying and a wonderful learning experience. I have also recommended to the Board that we consider using some of our funds, which are now substantial, to create an addition to our paid office help for a person who can absorb some of the responsibilities now assumed by volunteers.

Respectfully submitted Dorothy Mahoney

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

September 29, 1990

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Dorothy Mahoney, President.
- 2. The minutes of the September 30, 1989 business meeting were read and accepted.
- 3. The reports were given by the President, other officers, committe chairpersons, and the alumnae secretary.
- 4. The election results were reported:

President Elect Linda Lass-Schuhmacher '67

Vice President Barbara Podgurski Dunderdale '63

> Secretary Joanne Franklin '81

Board of Directors Dorothy Mahoney '52 Suzanne Burke '70 Nominating Committee Anne P Manton '60 Barbara Carter '68

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted Jeannette Blaine

ALUMNAE SECRETARY

We extend greeting to the 59 new members who joined our 1990 Alumnae roster. Our paid membership of 1,060 shows an increase of 36 over the previous year. There were 54 who did not renew membership. We have 83 complimentary members. Condolences are offered to the 43 deceased members' families, friends, and classmates.

Our Annual Fund Drive also showed an increase. The loyal class representatives deserve praise for their fine effort in helping to raise \$11,789.00 among 416 contributors.

Thanks to our volunteers Ann Cahill, Miriam Huggard, my co-worker Alma Robbins, and all who helped in any way in our move to new quarters and in the upkeep of the alumnae office.

Respectfully submitted Eligia M Drago

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Many of you will remember W. Hardy Hendren, MD. Dr Hendren was our guest speaker at the Saturday meeting at the Howard Johnson '57 on September 30, 1989. presented a program on Reconstruction of the Previously Diverted Urinary Tract. He has up to that date treated approximately 185 patients, greatly enhancing the quality of their lives. His program included many slides of the procedures and candids of several patients several years after surgery. Dr Hendren is a good friend of our organization who has been very generous with his time and energy. He waived his fee asking us to put the money to some worthy cause. It was donated to the nurses conference room fund at MGH.

On Friday, September 28, 1990, at the Walcott Room, Wang Ambulatory Care Center, MGH a CEU program on Stress Reduction was given by Genevieve Fitzpatrick '53 with a reception immediately following.

> Respectfully submitted Jan Blaine

ALUMNAE RECORD

Two issues of the Record were published this past year. There has been an increase in the amount of class news being sent in and I hope that the year to come will see this continue.

Many thanks again this year to Liz Ryder for her help with the Record.

Remember if you have ideas or news make sure to let me know.

Respectfully submitted Linda Lass-Schuhmacher

RUTH SLEEPER SCHOLARSHIP

Each year in November, there is an annual Wine and Cheese Reception held for the MGHIHP Nursina Students. At that time, a Ruth Sleeper Ccholarship is given to a second year student who excels in both the theory and practice of nursing. Members of the faculty and Alumni select the recipient following the criteria that has been established. The decision this past year was so difficult that two recipients were named, each receiving a \$1250.00 scholarship. The recipients were Sarah Lay and Anne Maillett. Miss Sleeper is still the honored quest. She makes the presentation and always has a relevant and timely message for the nursing students. Needless to say, they all enjoy hearing her and visiting with her

> Respectfully submitted Ann M. Cahill

ANNABELLA MCCRAE LOAN FUND

There were two applications to the Fund this year. The first applicant received the Sally Johnson Scholarship and so did not receive the loan. The second applicant received a loan of \$5000.00.

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Respectfully submitted Anne M. Fogarty

SALLY JOHNSON/FELICIA FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIPS

The Scholarship Committee increased the amount of each scholarship awarded to \$3000.00 each. Two scholarships were awarded to the following nurses: Frederick Begen '79 toward MSN and Janice Scalley Carey '76 toward BSN. The Committee wishes them well as they further their education.

These two nurses were the only ones who had applied this year. To apply for a scholarship, please obtain the application from the Alumnae Office and file it with the office before May 1st. Requirements are the following: active member (dues paid), full time student as of the following September or January, preference given if degree is in nursing.

Respectfully submitted Marlene Norton, Chairperson Lucille Tannenbaum-Nisotel Carolyn Wortman

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

There were 322 votes cast, 17 were invalid. The results are as listed in the minutes of the annual business meeting.

Respectfully submitted Barbara Dunderdale

TREASURER'S REPORT

A successful Fund Drive plus the income from dues and bank interest formed the basis of our operating budget for the past year. In addition to the normal expenses of running an office we have been able to give three scholarships to students at the MGHIHP.

Our new office space in Ruth Sleeper Hall has had some very modest additions made to it and we hope to invest in a few more.

The estate of the late Bertella Tomkins has left us a very generous amount. A committee of the board has been formed to decide the ways in which this money can best by used. In addition, the estate of Grace Garland has made us a bequest.

A new auditor has been retained, who will be available for advice and counsel throughout the year.

Copies of the Auditor's report as well as a detailed financial report will be available at the Alumnae Office.

Respectfully submitted Catherine Boyd

Homecoming Photos 1990

Photos in this issue of the Alumnae Record may be ordered throught the Alumnae Office. Photos are available in 5 X 7 size only and are \$7.50 per photo (includes postage).

All orders must by received by January 15, 1991 - we will not accept orders after that date.

Orders should include the number that appears below the photo, a check payable to the Alumnae Association, and your full name and address and be sent to: MGHNAA, Ruth Sleeper Hall, M G H, Boston, MA 02114. Please allow 4 - 6 weeks for delivery.

wash all utensils she uses between meals; keep her beds in order; sweep her own side of the ward; dust every day; and keep her bedside stands and fruit-closet shelves clean. She is expected to take up her share of another nurse's work conscientiously when that nurse is off the ward.

Dishes, fruit, clothes, etc., must not be left on stands or on window-sills. If toilet paper is left in the stand drawers, the sheets must be fastened with a safety pin. In male wards urinals must be kept on the lower shelves of the bedside tables. They must be promptly emptied; patients should be instructed to request that this be done.

Patients who are in bed all day should have their beds freed from crumbs after each meal."

PEARLS FROM THE PAST

An excerpt from

"WARD RULES FOR NURSES":

Wards should be in order by 10 am. Each nurse must give her own medicines, except those given by the medicine-week nurse. She must serve her own patients' meals; carry back and scrape her own dishes;

Have you found a Pearl from the Past that you would like to share, if so then send us a copy and we will try to make this section a part of each issue of the Record.

IM MEMORY OF HELEN "COGGIE" COGHLAN

On August 17, 1990, Helen J Coghlan class of 28 died at Milton Hospital. She had been the Assistant Director of Nursing in charge of the operating rooms at the MGH from 1953 - 1972. On her retirement from MGH she had 44 years of service. A memorial Service was held on September 27th in the MGH Chapel with a reception following sponsored by the Alumnae Association. Miss Mary E. Macdonald gave the following eulogy:

I first met Ms Coghlan in the Fall of 1967 upon my return to the MGH after an absence of 25 years. During my student days (1939-42) our paths never crossed, probably due to the fact that the private operating room suites, which were her early baliwick, were off limits to students.

Although I had heard many startling anecdotes of her prowess as Director of the 6th General Hospital OR's in Morocco and Italy during World War II and still others of her ongoing reign as Director of the OR Nursing Service of the MGH. I was not fully prepared for our initial encounter.

On said morning, she appeared at my office door, all six feet of her, garbed in regulation uniform with turbaned head, and greeted me with: "I understand you are one of those educated transplants from academia who has been brought aboard to straighten us out." She proceeded to ask what I knew about OR's. I managed a timid "not much." After assuring me that I had a lot to learn, she volunteered her tutorial services and disappeared into the White I corridor as quickly as she had arrived. In todays vernacular our first encounter can best be discribed as "awesome"!

In the ensuing five years it was my privilege to work with Coggie and to delve beyond that forbidding exterior and to get some apppreciation of her "ticking mechanism." Very briefly, what unfolded with the passage of time was:

1. A proud, jocular, warm and compasionate personage, devoted and firecely loyal to church, family, friends, her profession, the MGH and its OR Services, most especially to the patients who entered its portals.

- 2. A person to whom personal and professional privacy was sacrosanct. She arrives early each morning, after attending Mass, tastefully garbed in what appeared to be designer outfits, suits, dresses and HATS and in winter a full length mink coat; then changing immediately into her OR duds she would call the troops to action with all the gusto of an Army Major and would assume quietly (or on occassion not so quietly) the many facets of her job. And then at the end of an arduous day she would leave the hospital once again looking like a well-heeled dowager on her way to Symphony Hall!
- 3. A nurse administrator, who recognized and championed the unique role of nursing during the intra-operative phase of care always stressing the imperative need for the preservation of the patient's safety, confort and dignity! No OR staff member, from the imperious Chief to the lowly Indian, was spared a loud and acerbic redress in instances where these were compromised!
- 4. A person who gave more than lip service to the rights and needs of her staff. She was vociferous in her demands relative to others professional and personal well-being. Oh, how well I remember her "bark" but I never knew her to "bite."

And so, dear Coggie, we gather here today to honor your memory. Your 44 years of service have left a colorful, powerful, and lasting imprint on the institution. Those of us who knew you will long cherish your memory. And, if you could speak to us now, I am sure your message would read something like this:

I am home in Heaven, dear ones Oh, so happy and so bright There is perfect joy and beauty In this everlasting light All the pain and grief is over Every restless tossing past I am now at peace forever Safely home in Heaven at last.

CLASS NEWS

1920

We received the following obituary Helen Newton Everett Springer was born in Charlton, MA, October 17, 1893, the fifth and last child of a Methodist minister's family in the tenth generation of the descendants of Richard Everett, an Englishman who settled in Watertown, MA in 1636.

Early in her youth, having heard of the rubber atrocities in the Belgian Congo, she felt a burden for the suffering African people and hoped sometime to go to their aid, as a Christiam missionary. She never lost sight of that goal and was encouraged by missionary-minded parents and by real missionaries entertained in her home.

When entering Mt Holyoke College, she joined the Student Volunteer Organization composed of those interested in preparing for Foreign Missionary service. Graduating in 1917, a couple of months after America entered World War I, she decided to take a nurse's training, serve with the Armed Services, then proceed to Africa after the was was over to assist in the medical work. Before completing that training the war ended, freeing her for the realization of her life-long dream. She finished training and sailed for Africa in 1921. Those twenty-one years in missionary service were the happiest of her life.

In 1942, she returned to take care of her aged parents; her mother ill, father, blind. She cared for them as long as they lived, In 1956, she was married to Bishop John Springer, retired African missionary all of his life, the last eight years of which he served as bishop of all Methodist Missions, south of the Sahara (Liberia, m Angola, S. Congo, Rhodesia and Mozambique).

In 1963, the Lord opened the way for the Springers at Memorial Home Community, Penney Farms, FL, and they were very grateful, but the bishop was 90 years old, health was failing and he got his Heavenly call before the end of that year. He had previously made the remark that this was a beautiful place to "go home from".

In 1964, Helen became active in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Penney Farms and was its president for eleven years, a work she greatly enjoyed. she was also active in Vacation Bible School and in the Home Department of the Sunday School. She enjoyed very much volunteer service at the Clinic and Byer House.

She is the last one of her immediate family. She is survived by nine nieces and nephews.

1924

Helen Nagelschmidt Geer has been busy and involved in retirement. She writes that she is very involved with the church, takes BP's, changes dressings, give injections, and minor procedures, to

















































save the ordeal of a trip to the doctor's office, a member of Questers, Retired Nurses Club, Aquatic Club, several bridge groups, etc. Jim is a volunteer director of Recreational Reading for the Blind and Handicapped. We started a recording the Sun City News in our living room with a little Sony tape recorder twenty-one years ago. Presently we have a professonal studio with sound booth, duplicator and all the necessary equipment plus over thirty volunteers. Selective items from newspapers, Modern Maturity magazine, (master tape for whole country) books for the Arizona State Library, requested materials for churches, local organizations, etc., I have done everything from running the vacuum to reading and monitoring. This year, I just have a group of blind ladies for lunch once a month, or take them over to the club. Occasionally to a doctor, or special shopping trip, even helped two different families to move. should mention that Del Webb donated the land, with donations from friends, memorials, local clubs and the Lion's Club our building came into being. I won't see you at Homecoming this year, how about our 60th?

I keep in touch with Mulkern, and with Peg's famiy would love to hear from you.

1927

In a note from Jane MacDonald Sullivan we learned that she would not be able to attend Homecoming this year due to poor

health. Last year she missed Homecoming because one of her granddaughters was married on the day. She also sent a gift to the association in "gratitude to my Alumnae and to my class Representative, Mrs Ethel D Black. Bless her heart, she has kept our class of '27 alive throughout the years."

From an article in the Lawrence Eagle Tribune, Thursday, May 10, 1990 we learned that **Marlon Maxwell** was honored along with five others as part of National Nurses Week by the staff and residents of MI Nursing Restorative Center for her 45 years of service in community nursing caring for polio and TB victims. She remembers the 12-hour workdays and the pay of 50 cents an hour in her career.

We received the following obituary: Irene M Willard passed away on October 10, 1989 at the age of 83 years following a lingering illness. Miss Willard was born on August 22, 1906 in Worcester, MA She was a graduate of the MGH School of Nursing and earned a Master's Degree in Nursing Administration from Teacher's College Columbia University, she took up residence in Saginaw in 1954 when she assumed the position of Director of Nursing Services at St Luke's Hospital. she held that position until her retirement in 1968.

She is survived by a sister-in-law, as well as a number of nieces and nephews. she was pre-deceased by her sister and two brothers.

1928

Helen J "Coggie" Coghlan retired Assistant Director of Nursing in charge of the operating rooms at MGH from 1953 - 1972 died August 17 at Milton Hospital.

1930

We received a note from Ruth Drake Lincoln saying she was unable to attend the 60th but would love to hear from or see anyone in the area She is only 8 miles from Springfield MA in Suffield CT

1933

Grace Shattuck Steward wrote that she was not able to attend Homecoming this year as they will be celebrating her mother's 100th birthday on September 30th.

Sarah Margaret Pratt Stribley had a severe heart attack, cardiac arrest and triple bypass surgery in October while visiting her son in San Antonio, TX. She is doing very well since then.

1936

Marjorie Goldthwait Richardson 386 Riverway Apt. #4 Boston, MA 02115

Present at Homecoming were Genevieve Rice Covell. Barbara Vivian Payne, and

Marjorie Goldthwait Richardson. All were in reasonable good health and spirits, only regretful that more 1936 members don't come Homecoming. Genevieve says she is busier in retirement than she was when working. Barbara spends six months of each year in CT with her daughter, Diane, who is also an MGH grad, and six months in Key Largo, FL keeping busy with community affairs and travel. Goldy has slowed down some but still volunteers at the State House and one historic house and is editor of a newsletter

A letter received this summer gives news of Mary Morris Bete (Ricky). She is still living in Greenfield, MA One of her sons is a successful business man, the other a cardiologist. She has eight grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren. She writes, "I have lost contact with all my old friends from MGH. I have always been grateful for my MGH training. It has helped me to suport myself for many years. I would not want to go for a nursing career these days, would you?" Her address is 54 High St, Greenfield, MA 01301-2944.

1939

Winona Behr Smith 7 Henderson Road Lexington, MA 02173 (617) 862 2740

It was so great to see so many at our 50th Reunion! Dot Duffy Hargreaves, Fran McDonell Sciore, Rosemary Mc Cann

1940

Mc Isaacs (on from Austin, TX) and I attended the 51st reunion this September.

September 1st, Phyllis Wilbur Hanson, Barbara Yutronich Noonan and I went on a tour of the National Parks - began our tour in Scottsdale, AZ, vistied Oak, Bryce, Zion and Grand Canyons. Heard the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and visited many other interesting places. We flew home from Denver after having been to Utah, S. Dakota and Wyoming.

Julie Boghosian is going to Australia with a friend this fall. Had newsy letters from Kay Tracey Taylor and Gracie Babcock Gatcomb. Phyll Brisette Heslin wrote from Hawaii where she and Jim live part of the year. Unfortunately, some of our classmates have been on the sick list. Fran Mc Donell Sciore, Mary Gay Aubrey and I all had major surgery earlier this year.

Vonnie Goethal Ciesluk is quite itt at home, 298 Weston Rd, Wellesley, MA 02181. Please spare a few minutes and drop her a card. Loves to hear from her classmates. Wilma Hakkinen Storm visited Vonnie and she was so happy to see her. Mary Gay Aubrey and I also dropped by to visit her. Also talked with Ada Delnnocentis Restieri who visited Beulah Cunningham Smith in Florida this past winter.

Please send me any news you may have. Plan early to attend our 52nd Reunion - September 91 - A MUST! Olga Andruskiw 18 Brentwood Ave Troy, NY 12180

THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CLASS OF 1940

The class of 1940 (September and February) held its 50th anniversary on September 28, 1990. Thirty persons attended the dinner. The class presented a gift of \$2635.00 to the Alumnae Association. The questionnaire sent to members of the class presented the following results. Most of the members live in Other states Massachusetts. include Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Florida, Michigan, Illinois, Missouri. Washington, California, and Texas. There are one to six children and one to twelve grandchildren for each family.

Two persons have their doctorates, eight have their master's degrees and ten have their bachelor's degrees. Many people have certificates in specialty areas and most people attended continuing education classes. One person received a certificate from a school of Theology. Eight persons served in the Army Nurse Corps and two served in the Navy. Twenty-six are members of the MGH Alumnae Association.

Most of the members held positions in Nursing. The positions ranged from staff nurse to heads of schools of nursing and directors of nursing in hospitals. Other positions include professorships in schools of nursing, supervision, head nursing, private duty nursing, office nursing, public health nursing, nurse practitioner, school nursing and consultation. Non-nursing positions include physical therapy, nursery school teaching, elementary school teaching, postmaster, salesperson, and accounting. Many people did volunteer work.

Several nurses belong to honor societies such as Sigma Theta Tau. One person is a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing. Several received awards as outstanding educators. A few people still belong to professional nursing organizations as well as other professional organizations. Some have served as consultants in the United States and other countries. A few of the persons have published her poetry and another is a licensed pilot. At the dinner, one of the members read Thelm Johnson Sturgis' poem which she dedicated to the Class of 1940.

The members have traveled extensively. Their travels include every state in the United States and almost all of the countries in the world including South America, Central jAmerica, Europe, China, Pakistan, Iran, Turkey and Russia.

The following are the people who attended the dinner and some of them were present at the MGH Homecoming:

Mildred Anderson Alfieri

Phyllis Arey Van Wagner Olga Basamanian Brown Elizabeth Calandrin Zolner Rae Egan Tally Mary Gilmore Helming Mr Helming Hope Harlow Moody Mary Huckins Goldthwaite Barbara Jensen Agnes Johnson Thompson Jo Mangio Keaveney Ann Moore Hemsworth Virginia Plumley Butterfield Rita Rand Conroy Elinor Salmon Huss Olga Andruskiw Eleanor Belcher Call Virginia Bell Eckhardt Julia Binns Cady Mabel Brackett **Edith Curtis Masters** Mr Masters B. Carolyn Dean Jean French Richardson Mary Galbraith Wahl Mr Wahl Virginia Griswold Guthrie Mr Guthrie Mary Hickey Murphy Edith Kelsey Wheeler Catherine Norris Barbara Pickett Malone Elizabeth Pritchard Dunbar Barbara Shattuck Bianco Eleanor Smith Cady Mary Spinney Lowe Irene Tirelis Reilly Mary Wright Shaw Dorothy Boos Wyman

We all had a wonderful time as the anniversary celebration!

The following are the secretaries for the sections of the 1940 Class. They would appreciate it if members would keep them informed of activities and happenings.

September Section: Eleanor Belcher Call 10550 State Road 84, L141 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33324

February Section: Josephine Mangio Keaveney 76 Oakdale Avenue Dedham, MA 02026

1941

Cynthla Holt Cummlngs 22010 Village Pines Drive Birmingham, MI 48010

Your Spring/Summer 1990 issue with its Homecoming 1990 notice, encouraged me to capsulize my post graduation life for possible inclusion in a future issue.

Soon following graduation served with MGH's US Army 6th General Hospital from May '42 to October '45, including 31 months in North Africa and Italy. Since 1949 have lived in Michigan with husband, Richard, a recently retired Detroit banker. Son Roger, his wife also a nurse (Cornell '76) and their 4 children reside nearby. During this recent decade wrote and published eight illustrated books of Christmas verse which are now available on four audio cassettes.

We also received a note from John Welchlin:

This note will inform you of the passing on March 19, 1990 of **Dorothy Fletcher Welchlin**, after an illness lasting several years. For many years prior to her retirement in 1983, Dorothy worked at Saint Francis Hospital in Blue Island Illinois. Most of these years were spent in the Emergency Room.

1947

Helen Mc Coy 158 Mountain Ave Park Ridge, NJ 07656

Homecoming

"wonderful group":
Mary Wallace
Yvonne Withers
Annia Lowe
Barbara Watson
Ann Walsh
Marge Wood
Helen King
Helen McCoy.
Shirley Bayliss from the Sept.
section joined us as no one else in her group came.

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Annia and Shirley also went Friday afternoon for "Stress Reduction" - they had super praise for the program by Genevieve Fitzpatrick PhD MGH 1953.

Jack and I spent 5 days in August with Lou and Betty Anderson Carrler in East Dennis. She teaches at Cape Cod Comunity College and has her own business "Cape Originals." Lou is retired. They have eight children and seven grandchildren. Wonderful hospitality! Glenna Clark was

visiting Williamsburg VA that weekend. We missed her. she's doing geriatrics in Attleboro.

Dot Drury Johnson married in July '52 and has eight children and five grandchildren. After "getting her feet wet" when the children got older in geriatrics, she now is at the Health Center at Williams college, and loves it. her husband is retired. they love the Berkshires and she is interested in hearing from and seeing MGH'ers from that area, and all the leaf watchers traveling up that way. She informed me that Mary Melledy had died.

Ginny Humphries Wroth suffered most of 1989 with joint pain, unsuccessfully treated with arthritic drugs, then accupuncture reguime. In August learned of Dr Robert Bingham's clinic in Desert Hot Springs, which she attended 9/27 - 10/17, with great success. she continues an exercise reguime. Rafe continues the health food business. So glad you're so much better, Ginny, keep up the good work!

Annia Lowe's husband Bob isn't feeling too well. Keeps Annia close to home. Raved about the Friday program. Annia is a nursing supervisor part time, but retiring soon. They have two grandsons.

Dot Jamrak is retired has two children and two grandchildren. Swims in her pool in summer and in the "Y" in the winter. she must be in great shape!

Bessie Pearson wrote me that she planned to come to

Homecoming, but she didn't arrive. She doesn't drive in Boston, so she probably didn't have a ride. she retired in 1985 from Exeter, NH Hospital after 27 years. she has been married 43 years, three children and seven grandchildren. Her husband had a stroke 10 years ago, with some left sided deficit.

Mary Wallace will visit Rita Plummer at the bank and write me all the news.

Esther Reade writes every September for all of us to enjoy at Homecoming. This year, with a snapshot of Esther and Tom, she's planning to attend in 1992 for our 45th! Galen, her youngest, will be married Thanksgiving weekend. Her daughter will have #3 in January joining Meredith 4 1/2 and Lydia 2 1/2 Bev lives just outside Chicago. Paul the oldest son, is in Atlanta. GA. Esther retired and when Tom does (a Minister) they will head towards the Zanesville area. They are "looking around" now.

Shirley Sabin's husband, Frank, had triple bypass in the Spring. Shirley had double bypass several years ago. Frank into real estate, Shirley does the Historical Society and a Literacy Project. They returned from Hawaii and are heading for Colorado for Christmas this year.

Maryola Warren and Joe took an Alaskan cruise in July - loved it. she is a retired school nurse with three daughters - all in the education field and four grandchildren. Marge Wood is retired and Halsey is doing consulting, so they have more free time and were up from Long Island for Homecoming.

Missed Sally's letter this Fall. Write soon Sally.

Dolores Soderston Sekan sent her new address - 9901 S W 218 Terrace, Miami, FL 33190. She works two days a week and plays golf the other five. Her husband who is retired also plays. They have a home in Linville North Carolina for the summer and spend the hotter months there. Her only daughter is a microbiologist at Jackson Hospital in Miami in the Kidney Transplant Division.

Mary Wallace's husband has had five eye surgeries since mid June in NH and at Eye and Ear - detached retina. They are retired in Peterborough, NH - near some of the kids. We're all pulling for you, Rube. Hurry and get well.

Ann Walsh teaches in the satellite college of UNH in Laconia. She was so interesting - hearing about the courses and the students.

Barbara Watson just returned from\ an Irish Tour - how I envy her and she works in a doctors office. Francis retired and busy.

Yvonne's husband had serious surgery and is doing well. I'm happy to report.

Jack and I spent May in Ohio and August on Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard. All well with us. Please help me track down our "unknowns" and please write me all your news for the Record. The regulars ask about so many of you and I have no answers.

Please request the addresses you would like. I keep copies for anyone who wants one. Keep in touch!

1949

Jackie Auger Brown 265 West Road, Box 360 Rye, NH 03870-0360 (603) 964-7936

Dot Johnson McCann - Two new grandsons born in July; one baby had problems and was a patient at MGH Neonatal Unit. All fine now. If anyone would like to see the video of our fortieth reunion, they may borrow it from Dot and then return to her.

Trudy Walsh Hynes - only daughter married last April. Warren and she are retired, but keep busy in Senior Citizen activities. Spent the month of July in Blue Hill, Maine.

Mary Libbey Morris - still working at Rehab Hospital in Woburn, MA

Jackie Auger Brown - our ninth grandchild arrived June 16th while Brownie and I were attending the ANA Convention in Boston. We were also celebrating our fortieth anniversary. Missed Homecoming 1990 as Brownie and I attended his 50th high school reunion.

Please send news as it happens so that we can have class news in the Record.

41st Reunion News from Ruth Stronach Henshaw 8790 E W 96th Street Miami, FL 33176

An addition to Jackies news - a report on our 41st reunion, the Stress Reduction Class and Homecoming. Four of us were able to attend:

Dot Johnson McCann Lyn Poulter Ratcliff - no change, still working.

Ruth Tillson Lowell - no change, "Can't compete with the 40th!"

Ruth Stronach Henshaw - able to attend Homecoming on our way back to Miami after two months in Nova Scotia. Bob and I travelled four months in the motor-home, staying mostly at military FAM-Camps. It was too hot to go to San Antonio and California as planned.

Seated at our table was **Eleanor Call** ('40) and **Kay Hardeman** who now lives in Ft Lauderdale FL with her sister.

Also chatted with Jane Bailey ('43) who lives in Post St Lucie, FL in the winter. There was talk that perhaps Florida MGHers might get together.

Barbara Minitoli ('53) and husband Mike gave me a ride into Boston. While at Hanscom AFB I phoned Mary Libbey Morris and Margaret Manning. Our wonderful speaker both days was **Genevieve Fitzpatrick** ('53) Friday was on Stress Reduction something that we all need! After class Friday there was an enjoyable Reception and tours of the new Ellison Building.

Miss Ruth Sleeper was at the Meeting and luncheon on Saturday and spoke to each and everyone.

1956

Audre J McLoughlin has been appointed assistant professor and director of the Nursing Administration in Health Services program at Georgetown University.

1958

Janet D Donohue has been appointed Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies at Georgetown University.

1965

Dale Miller 802 Willard St E-5 Quincy, MA 02169

25th REUNION CLASS

Cathy Bair Forde - living in Brookline - 3 grown children - 2 in San Diego, CA. Cathy works at Waltham-Weston Hospital in the Alcohol-Drug Unit presently, but has also been involved in floral design, gardening, and photography.

Merry Cummings Danceau - married for 24 years and mother of 3 children - received BSN at Catholic University in DC and presently employed as a clinical nurse in psychiatric research at NIMH Bethesda, MD.

Ruth Bennett Durrough - has 3 children - presently working at Penn Yan Nursing Home as the Director of Nursing in a 26 bed level 2 facility. she and her husband are partners in a Computer Consulting firm specializing in health - also involved with Hospice care.

Barbara Benzoin Richardson - lives with husband and 3 grown children in Hopkinton - Bunny is working as a charge nurse in a nursing facility in Milford. Bunny's daughter Stephanie graduated from U Conn and is getting married in a year.

Cynthia Blair Stocking - lives in Groton, MA - 2 grown children - Cis is a co-director of a program for handicapped children in Andover with Veryl Duften Anderson.

Maureen Brennan Mullowney married to TH and living in Manomet - 2 children and works in CCU/ICU at Jordan Hospital in Plymouth.

Patricia Burke Greene - married to Maureen Green's brother, Larry who is a Captain in the Army. Pat is the mother of 2 girls and they live just outside Las Vegas, Nevada, where they plan to retire - would love visitors if anyone is in the area. Pat is currently working in nursing.

Juanita Busch Andrea - married for 25 years and has 2 children - lives in Jericho, Vermont and is employed by a computer software company which specializes in clinical information systems. "Once a nurse, Always a nurse"

Ellen Christain Keogh - presently a professor of nursing at So Eastern Mass University in No Dartmouth - lives in Marion with husband Joe who is a boat builder and 2 sons age 11 and 14.

Anne Cooper Foster - living in Boston and works as an Adult Nurse Practitioner at Lahey Clinic.

Mary Anne Dolley Kiernan - works as Nurse Manager at University Hospital in Boston (spinal cord injury unit) - living in Reading with husband who is a high school administrator and 2 grown children.

Veryl Dufton Anderson married with 2 grown boys in Andover - co-directs program for handicapped children with Cis Stocking - good work guys!

Lisba Fowler - took the big step and left nursing and is presently working for a large engineering company in San Francisco (14 years) as a project administrator lives with Don with whom she recently spent a 6 week vacation in Europe. Liz, your note was great and appreciated by all of us. May I quote your last paragraph - "I still feel a surge of pride whenever I read about some new work or research happening at MGH. Makes me feel good to know I was a part of such a

fine place - and I could not have been part of a better class."

Lois Goerner Klein - (Looks great as a size 3) - Lois left nursing in 1983, and started a sign business last July - so far so good - married 10 years to a great guy with 3 ready made children - lives in York, Maine - if in the area she would love company.

Maureen Greene Bleyer - now living in Houston, Texas after 17 years in Seattle, WA - married to Archie (Chief of Pediatrics at M.D.Anderson) - Mo has 2 grown boys in college - she is not working at present, but while in Seattle worked in Day Surgery in the Recovery Room.

Susan Harpham Burhart - involved in Pediatric nursing until 5 years ago- Sue is now living in Waltham, MA with her husband and 2 young children with whom she is planning to do home schooling.

Dale Hart Came - lives in Maine with husband and works with the VNA.

Sharon Kane Thomas - Major 032361484 354 TFW/SG APO 09855 - Presently stationed in Saudi Arabia - she would love to hear from all of us.

Karen Jacobs McLennon pursuing a career as a free-lance writer - lives in Providence, RI with her husband (neurosurgeon) and 2 daughters.

Kathleen Kennedy - divides time between Watertown and Cape

Cod - received her Master's in Library Science and works as the Medical Librarian at Mass Eye and Ear.Infirmary.

Dorothy Krugher - presently working at MGH as a staff nurse on the IV team - lives with her mom in the family homestead in Boston - loves to travel, garden and relax at her summer house on the Cape.

Anne McCue Derrick - clinical specialist in Child Psychiatric Nursing at the University of Louisville, Kentucky - she is married with 2 terrific children - loves to do tatting (make lace).

Mary (Didi) Mendes Dyer - married for 25 years and has 2 sons - have lived in Virginia for 13 years - received her BSN from George Mason and presently is working on her Master's in Nursing Administration as well as working as a customer service representative for a 3rd party administrator (health claims) part time.

Dale Miller - has enjoyed many areas of nursing since graduation - presently living in Quincy and working in Psychiatric Unit evenings at Brockton Hospital (5 years) - enjoys traveling with her boyfriend Michael.

Brooke Payne Tenney - lives in So Portland with husband and 2 grown children.

Patricia Poster Hansen finished BA in sociology at University of Maryland - presently working part time at Greater S E Community Hospital on a Medical Surgical Unit specializing in Diabetic Teaching - Pat is also going to the University of Maryland at Baltimore for a Master's degree in social work - married with 1 daughter.

Saundra Scott Harden - recently remarried and lives in Hudson, Ohio - has 3 grown children - Sandy works for Cleveland Clinic and designs space for them.

Diane Thornton Cortese - currently living in Burlington and teaching in a Vocational High School (nurse assistant/medical assistant/EKG technician/phlebotomy program) - married with 2 grown children.

Victoria Vithauskas Carlson lives with 2 grown children in Newington, CT - BSN from McGill and MBA from University of Conn presently working for the state of Connecticut as a Nursing Home Inspector.

Carole Untz Day - works for Providence VNA - exclusively in pediatrics - lived in Australia for 9 years - BSN in 1984 at URI - mother of 3 grown children.

Janet Petrosso Zildjian - owns and operates Nursing Care Planners Inc (a nursing referral service) - lives in Watertown with her husband and 4 wonderful children.

This is a lot of news from our class but we did want to share it with you. I'm glad to edit and organize any Alumnae News, so please send all your news to me. For those of you who were unable to attend our 25th reunion, we had a wonderful day together.

NEWS NOTE

We received a note regarding the death of Irene Norton who taught at the school in the 60's. Irene died on March 30th 1989. she had become very suddenly ill with acute pancreatitis caused by gall stones. She spent the month in the hospital and seemed to be progressing slowly but then had an arrest and resuscitation attempts were unsuccessful.

ANA CONVENTION

The joint MGH booth at the convention was a great success. The Alumnae Board staffed the booth and spoke to many of the MGH'ers who came by. It was great to see all of you and to be able to work as a team with the hospital and the IHP



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1929	Adrian Fields Williams, on April 1990.
1931	Wanda M. Acorn
1931	Grace E Ployart Moody on June 17, 1990, at Lexington, Massachusetts.
1933	Emily Hill Newhall.
1934	Elsie Saari Spillane, 1990.

1937	Susan Robins Groff, September 8, 1990, at Manchester, Connecticut.
1937	Elizabeth Ulrich Throm, 1989.
1938	Dorothy Wood Streeter.
1938	Margaret Bulman Grant, 1990.
1941	Dorothy May Welchlin, on March 19, 1990, at Oak Forest, Illinois.
1941	Virginia Sears, 1990.
1944	Barbara Came Arrington, on October, 1990.
1945	Margaret S. Andrews, on April, 1990, at North Bangor, New York.
1947	Jean Gustafson Cross, on August 2, 1989.
1948	Petrocoa LeFebvre Moore, on March 15, 1989.
1960	Susan Elizabeth Kenyon, on July, 1989.
1960	Mary Cole Ricottelli, on December 15, 1989.
1962	Jacqueline Donnee Vogt, on May 15, 1990, at New London, Connecticut.

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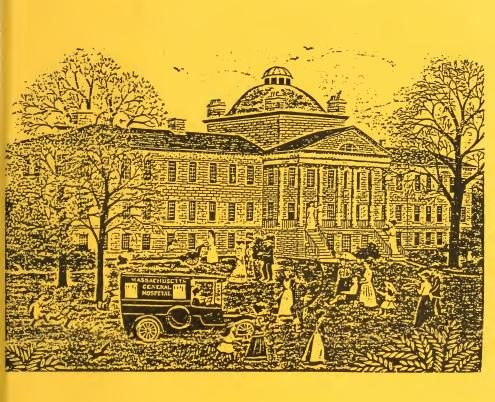
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HOMECOMING 1991: SEPTEMBER 28TH C.E.U. PROGRAM 1991: SEPTEMBER 27TH

This month we received a note from Frances McCabe McLean class of '58 regarding Rachael Louise Metcalfe Mc Manus class of 1920. In it she stated that Mrs Mc Manus "has a legacy of a most distinguished nursing career" and felt the article she included "worthy to be in the archives of noteworthy MGH Grads." It was published in The Enterprise, Falmouth, MA on Friday, May 24, 1991.

We have reprinted it as it appeared in the paper and thank The Enterprise and the author, Alte Mae Stevens.

Story Of Three Rachels Is A Warming History Of Service To Humanity

By Alta Mae Stevens

Be patterns, be examples in all countries, places, islands, nations, wherever you come... (George Fox, epistle of 1656)

Sitting in the sunny bedroom that has become her winter retreat in daughter Joan's rambling Natick house, Dr. Rachel Louise McManus Metcalfe Sippewissett Road. mouth, intently follows on television the flight of Iraqi refugees into Turkey. She is thinking of the enormous additional responsibilities that must be shouldered by "her" nurses, graduates of Turkey's university nursing programs that in the 1950s Dr. Rachel Louise was instrumental in developing.

"I know they're doing their part," she says with matter-of-fact assurance of the more than 1,700 Turkish nurses who have since earned bachelor's degrees. This assurance is based on the fact that she circumnavigated the globe six times to insure that the university nursing programs she established around the world stayed on course.

Three Named Rachel

Rachel Louise is a nurse with a Ph.D., enormous accomplishments and still, at 95, unlimited zest for life. She is the third of a family line of distinguished Rachel Metcalfes that together have provided the world with a

In October 1864 her letter was published in *The British Friend*, where it was seen by Rachel Metcalfe, who, as Marjorie Sykes notes in *Quakers in India*, took the plea as a not-completely welcome sign from God. "*Indla?*" she wrote in a reminiscence, "It filled me with dismay." She tried to ignore the call, but it came again. Finally, she was left pleading that she not be forced to go alone.

The early days of the Quaker "revolution," when women and men struggled as equals to "publish the Truth" were over. Missionary work for a lone female was not considered seemly. Besides. Rachel was not a recorded minister. Her novel insight that hers was not to be a preaching tour "but a dwelling among them teaching and helping the daily routines of life" didn't impress either her monthly meeting or the Provisional Committee

Set Off At Last

Fortunately Henry Hipslev, who became the convenor of the Committee, later included in the Friends Foreign Mission Association (FFMA) founded in 1866, understood and backed her. Thus, after considerable struggle and with a minimum of financial support, Rachel Metcalfe, working her passage as a companion-helper to a missionary family, embarked for India as the first appointed Quaker missionary.

Having sold her assets to help meet expenses, she arrived in Benares with the clothes on her back, her sewing machine and a few rupees in her pocket, determined, as her grand-niece notes, to teach Indian women seamstressing as a means of self-support. The very day of her arrival in November 1866, she began helping out in the mission.

Independent Venture

However, working at the Leupolt mission didn't suit Rachel. There was too much preaching and not enough encouragement to the Indian women to "support themselves instead of hanging onto the missions." After 18 months, she wrote to ask British Friends to support her in an independent venture.

In response an American married couple. Elkanah and Beard of Indiana Irena yearly meeting, arrived in Benares in 1869 to help establish the first Friends mission station. During the Civil War Elkanah had earned the reputation of being the only man who could cross between the lines of combat in order to help those suffering on both sides. At the end of hostilities, much against the wishes of the white communities, the couple helped newly liberated blacks in Mississippi and Louisiana.

"The Americans," writes Marjorie Sykes, "fresh from the scars of the Civil War, combined total of 125 years of continuous and devoted service. One was the first Quaker missionary to India who liked working homeless children more than she liked preaching; two became famous nurse educators and administrators. All were notable as energetic, practical visionaries. They were three women named Rachel of the Quaker Metcalfe family, offspring of Yorkshire hill northwest farmers.

Through their activities like a golden thread ran the insistence that the needs of women for self-respect, independence and self-development must be met. These principles and the examples of their lives continue to inspire thousands, most especially their own female relatives.

The first Rachel Metcalfe was born in Macclesfield, England, in 1828, the second eldest—and oldest daughter—of seven children of John Metcalfe, a shopkeeper, and his wife, Mary Kendrew. Two younger brothers died, followed in 1845 when Rachel was 16 by the mother. On Rachel's shoulders fell the responsibility of running the family home and caring for her youngest sister, Sarah Jane.

In order to help out financially, leaving her sister Eliza in charge of the household, Rachel at 18 found a job as a servant in the girls' section of the Ackworth School,

where subsidies paid for the education of poor Quakers. At Ackworth she made and repaired students' uniforms. But her father's death in 1847 broke up the family. Rachel and Eliza began working as domestic servants in wealthy Quaker families. And subsequently Rachel set herself up independently as a dressmaker, moving to Manchester to be near her older brother William and his family.

Early Missionary Movement

As early as 1855 Rachel felt the call to do missionary work. The British missionary movement was just beginning, inspired by the evangelical and abolition movements of the mid-19th century. At conferences at Ackworth in 1860 and '61, British Quakers determined to join other Protestant denominations in this effort.

After the preaching tour in 1862 by British Quakers Russell Jeffrey and Henry Hipsley of many Christian missions and government institutions in India, including those in the holy city of Benares, a Mrs. Leupolt. a (non-Quaker) Church sionary Society (CMS) missionary based in Benares, wrote to appeal to "wealthy Friends" for money to buy sewing machines and pay a teacher for an industrial school for girls.

letters these mute evidences of her life in India became enshrined in the family mythology, serving as a guiding force for other Metcalfe women.

He Was 'Disowned'

Back home across several oceans. Rachel's brother William, the elder by almost two vears, in 1850 had married a woman who was not a Friend. They were married in her church, for which misde-William WAS meanor "disowned." However, they continued to attend Meeting and their children were recorded as members. In the 1870s one of those children. John Metcalfe, now grown, a draftsman and later a recorded Quaker minister, emigrated to the United States. He stayed briefly in Philadelphia, then moved on to Providence. Married in 1881 to Hattie (Harriet B. Aldrich. named for Harriet Beecher Stowe), he, his wife and children moved to Worcester at the turn of the century.

Once John had settled in Worcester, his sister Rachel Alice, who had become very interested in Florence Nightingale's nursing movement, left England to join him. In 1889, the year her missionary aunt died in India, the young Rachel Alice Metcalfe graduated from Worcester City Hospital's School of Nursing and subsequently stayed on to fill various administrative positions.

As had her aunt, Rachel became renowned for her efforts to teach women how to achieve independence and self-respect through professional accomplishment. Her niece inherited two precious keepsakes: a gold watch engraved "from the graduating class. Worcester Training-School. September. and a slender volume titled A Cookbook for Nurses, compiled by one Elmira W. Ryder and published in Worcester in 1901.

The dedication reads: "To Miss Rachel A. Metcalfe, superintendent of nurses at the Worcester City Hospital, in recognition of her untiring zeal in the training of young women for the profession of nursing, and to the pupils, past, present and future of the Worcester Training-School for Nurses."

After years at Worcester City Hospital, Rachel Metcalfe moved to Orange, New Jersey, and then to Maine. where she became superintendent of the Central Maine General Hospital in Lewiston. Under her guidance this grew from a 25-bed cottage hospital to its present size of 250 beds and numerous buildings, including in her memory a Metcalfe Hall. She remained head of this hospital for 25 years, administering both the hospital and its nursing school.

were shocked and saddened by the scars of the [Sepoy?] Mutiny. They met too many British people who were consumed by fear and hatred, and who treated Indians as if they were unworthy of kindness and respect. They were shocked, too, by British social snobbery; even in missionary circles Rachel seemed to them to be treated 'more as a servant than as an equal.' "

Not wanting to stay in that missionary compound, Rachel and the Beards moved to Prablad Ghat, another location in Benares, which Elkanah used as a base to work with the students who flocked annually to the ancient city. Rachel and Irena worked to help the women and girls of the neighborhood. Thev started school and paid friendly visits to Hindu and Muslim homes. Finally, spurred by ill health, in 1871 the three moved to Japalpur, where the climate was reputed to be better.

The Beards served only three years before Irena's ill health made them abandon India. In their place came Charles Gayford, a farmer's son from Essex. He discovered Rachel carrying on work with two little schools, Bengali language lessons and maintenance of a sizable household that by this time included a number of homeless girls, all for a total of 15 British pounds a month!

Gayford soon moved to Hoshangabad and Rachel followed two years later, after recovery from a serious attack of smallpox whose onslaught, complicated by rheumatism, left her crippled.

Devotion, Caring Limitless

In Hoshangabad she continued her work of caring for indigent Indian children in her home and working in an orphanage where unwanted girl children could live and grow up until ultimately they married or found employment. There is no record how many girl babies Rachel Metcalfe was able to rescue, but her devotion and courage were limitless. Despite confinement to a wheelchair for the 14 years before her death. she successfully nursed the children through a smallpox epidemic although she herself had no formal nursing training.

Rachel Metcalfe continued to serve in India without furlough for the remainder of her life. She was 60 years old when she died in 1889.

Through the years Rachel sent home to her family these stories and various small trinkets and souvenirs, some of which were a handcarved wooden Noah's ark and animals for her younger brother's children and a beautiful cashmere shawl. Six silver teaspoons and a tea tray finally came to rest in her great-niece's home in the United States. Along with her

Pioneered State Registration

She also joined the Maine Nurse's Association and was instrumental in the association's ultimate success in getting the legislature to pass a law mandating state registration of nurses. Since Rachel was secretary-treasurer of the association, her Maine state nurse's registration number was 3!

During her vears Worcester City Hospital. Rachel Alice Metcalfe's niece, Rachel Louise Metcalfe - known to the family as Louise, a daughter of her brother John and his wife Hattie - often took the long trolley ride to visit her aunt. Fresh air was in vogue as a cure for many ailments. Consequently the Hospital had a summer fresh-air hospital in Green Hill Park with tents erected for the children.

The young Rachel Louise became a pet of some of the nurses because she loved to wheel the babies in their perambulators, to feed and entertain them. Her aunt's encouragement led the girl to attend Pratt Institute's Institutional Management program in 1916. From there she went for a year as an assistant dietitian to Robert Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston. Her heart, however, was in nursing.

Nursing, Her First Love

Rachel Louise graduated from Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing in 1920 and soon found herself at a hospital in Waterbury,

Connecticut, as its first fulltime teacher of nursing. Inspired by her aunt and greataunt, she had had ambitions for missionary service in China, but these were thwarted when in 1921 she became dangerously ill with nephritis, the same ailment that in 1913 had caused her missionary sister Edna's death. After being told she had to care for her kidneys and under no circumstances to have children. she returned to Waterbury hospital and soon found herself Chief Nurse and Principal of the School of Nursing.

She had not been out of nursing school a year. Realizing she needed additional administrative training, in September 1923 she enrolled in Teachers College-Columbia University. After receiving her B.S., she stayed in admissions placement and while she continued to take courses. She finished her master's degree and launched on her doctorate.

Her Own Family

It was then that she and her mother took a Mediterranean cruise that resulted in the young woman's engagement and subsequent marriage to John McManus, a grieving widower. Rachel Louise gladly undertook the care of her husband's ailing

mother — who lived until the age of 96 — and his six children along with their daughter Joan, aged just 2 1/2 when John McManus died.

It was the Depression. The family home was sold, Rachel Louise became a teacher of nursing full time, and the children were thereby able to complete their educations.

In 1935 she was asked by Teachers College-Columbia to become a research assistant in the area of tests and measurements in a national study of nursing curricula headed by a Miss Isabel Stewart, chairman of the Committee on Education of the National League of Nursing Education. For this research Rachel Louise had access to the advice and counsel of experts retained by the Teachers College. As a result of this experience, she decided standardized tests in nursing were urgently needed.

Rachel Louise became chairman of the National League for Nursing Education's Committee on Nursing Tests. She and her committee created standardized objective achievement tests that could be scored by machine, tests that could be used by state licensing agencies to determine whether candidates were adequately qualified for the R.N.

With no other financial aid forthcoming, the young woman borrowed \$1,000 from her mother to underwrite the

committee's initial production of the tests. Within a vear the committee had successfully provided 1,500 State Board test pool tests and scored them. Within vears all but two states were using the tests. World War II was underway; the National League's testing service became a wartime essential. Before the National Council of State Nurse Examiners was published, which took over state boards pool testing, this service ended up generating \$2 million in annual revenues!

For the first time in nursing comparable test scores were available and made possible comparisons tween schools within a state and also between states. Standards varied enormously Standardized testing provided an incentive to the lower-standard states to improve the quality of their training. Reacting to the many inequities nationwide in nursing education revealed by the introduction of standardized testing, private foundations such as the Kellogg Foundation of Georgia came forward to help states improve their nursing education standards.

Rachel Louise and her committee helped with the development of new precedents and regulations. It became clear that as medical knowledge changed and progressed, so, too, must the nurse's education. A nurse's license became time-limited. In order to re-register, the nurse was required to provide proof of having upgraded her skills and knowl-

edge.

Rachel Louise was only the first nurse to earn a Ph.D. nursing education Teachers College-Columbia. As director of the Division of Nursing Education Teachers College-Columbia between 1947 and 1961, she initiated the Institute of Research in Nursing Education and established a program for registered nurses that had as its prerequisite a four-year liberal arts program or its equivalent. In this program nurses could conduct research toward advanced academic degrees.

In response to an acute shortage of nurses, Rachel Louise initiated the research that led to the development of the currently popular associate degree program in nursing in junior colleges. Students live at home instead of in residences and enrollment is open to participation by mature adults and women with families. Currently 80 percent of all R.N. programs are these two-year associate degree programs.

And she traveled. Elected chairman in 1949 of Council of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation, she organized an international seminar in France on research in nursing. Florence Nightingale's letters had been discovered stuffed in some boxes in the cellar of

St. Thomas's Hospital where she had her school of nursing. Rachel Louise arranged to make them available for researchers. In 1955 she was invited to Turkey to help establish a baccalaureate program in nursing at the University of Istanbul. As a consultant to the Department of

Nursing Research for the Army, she went to Korea. Everywhere she was greeted by devoted former students.

Rachel Louise bought a retirement house in Falmouth. but she never really retired. In 1961 she was in the Hvannis office of President Nickerson of the soon-to-be Cape Cod Community College asking him why the plans did not include a two-year associate degree program in nursing. The president was somewhat taken aback. Who was this woman? He showed her a book he had received describing just such a program, only to find out that she had written the introduction.

Subsequently, when she finally stepped down from the Cape Cod Community College Advisory Committee to which President Nickerson had appointed her. The Massachusetts State Senate presented her with an award for outstanding service in the field of nursing education.

Family Tradition Continues

Although currently there are no more Rachels, the family tradition of service continues with her daughter, Joan, who owns and operates

a day-care center, and Joan's daughters, Rachel Louise's grandchildren, who are 12th-generation Quakers. One granddaughter with an M.S. in public health now is a registered dietitian. Another, a researcher in industrial hygiene with Dow Chemical, is a graduate student in the Harvard University Ph.D. program in public health. A third works in the area of therapeutic massage.

Two years ago, to commemorate the Rachel who began it all, Rachel Louise endowed a Rachel Metcalfe Memorial Scholarship Fund for Indian Friends interested in professional training as

preparation for service in India in the health and social welfare fields. Of her great aunt · 100 years after her death, Rachel Louise Metcalfe McManus wrote:

"The feelings about her [Rachel Metcalfe] as a person, about her life values, and about the choices she made, that were stimulated and nourished by family reminiscences still remain and are a result both of what I was told about her and their [the family's] attitudes, plainly expressing their love of her, and their thankfulness for the gift of her life."

There is no better testimony to the power of pattern and example.

Note: All the quotations cited herein and most of the information about Rachel Metcalfe and her work were derived from letters and printed materials sent to Mrs. Stevens by Marjorie Sykes, a British Quaker missionary who worked in India for many years. Now retired to England, Miss Sykes has published one book on the Quaker movement in India: Quakers In India, London, George Allen & Unwin, 1980, and is in the process of publishing another on the same theme.

Bertela Tompkins Fund Established

Dear Graduate of the MGH School of Nursing,

Although the three year diploma school has been closed since 1981, the Alumnae Association continues to serve the needs of the graduates and those of the Nursing Program of the MGH Institute of Health Professions. Over the years, we have provided scholarships and loans for those seeking higher education.

Recently the Alumnae was the recipient of a bequest from the estate of Bertella Tompkins, class of 1905. Miss Tompkin's will states that this money may be used for the benefit of the graduates of the MGH School of Nursing. The Board of Directors of the Alumnae Association has voted to use the interest from this fund to provide assistance to graduates with identified needs, with a priority for needs that are health related. The fund is held and managed by the Office of the Treasurer at MGH. The interest earned from the principal of this fund will be available for disbursement. A committee, appointed by the Board of Directors will recommend recipients and amounts. The Board of Directors will have the final approval for the use of monies.

Our goal is to identify those who have need for supplementary or supportive assistance, not otherwise available, for devices such as: hearing aids, eye glasses, orthopedic equipment, etc. If you have knowledge of anyone who has such needs, we would appreciate your sending us their name, address, year of graduation, need, and any comments pertinent to the need.

Correspondence and/or requests should be sent to the Alumnae Association, attention Mary Caira. All communications received will be kept strictly confidential.

CLASS OF 1992

The students of the Class of 1992 of the MGH Institute of Health Professions, Nursing Program celebrated the completion of the Generalist Requirements in professional nursing on June 3, 1991. The ceremony was held at the Museum of Our National Heritage in Lexington. Dr. Elizabeth Grady awarded certificates and pins to the 35 members of the class.

The Alumnae Association was represented by Jan Blaine, President who welcomed the class into the Alumnae Association and had the honor to present the Adele Corkum Award. This years Corkum Award recipient was Henry Steven Weinberger.

Congratulations to all and welcome to the Alumnae.

NEWS NOTE

The hospital has begun to put out on display some of the historical memorabilia that is around. We have been asked by the administration to loan some of the Alumnae historical materials for this venture. To date the MGH Nursing School Pin Collection has been placed on the wall in the office corridor on White 1 and we will be adding other pieces on the walls and cabinets in the White 1 Conference Room. The materials we have will be much appreciated by all who are in the area.

If you have historical materials pertaining to the school or the hospital and would like to donate them for display please contact the Alumnae Office, attention Linda Lass-Schuhmacher. We are still seeking pins for the permanent collection as we do not have pins from all of the years and this is our goal. Most of the pins we have received have been from relatives or the estates of graduates.

IN MEMORIAM

1916	Cora Mitchell Trayes, on December 26, 1990, at Gloucester, Massachusetts.
1919	Harriet Jessie McCollum on April 21, 1991, at Truro, Massachusetts.
1920	Marian E. Justason Trainor, on April 2, 1991.
1922	Louise Kellogg on January, 1990.
1929	Erma Trentini Valz, on September 9, 1990.
1930	Dorothy Ide Greenleaf, on July 17, 1990.
1937	Flora E Abbott, on August 2, 1990.
1938	Josephine Woodhull Hensen, 1987.
1938	Virginia Harrison Webster, on November 29, 1990, at Merrimac, Massachusetts.
1939	Yvonne M. Goethel Ciesluk, on November 4, 1990 at Wellesley, Massachusetts.
1944	Vivian Carroll Verrochi, on April 3, 1991.
1944	Mary Sullivan McNichols, on April 13, 1991.
1948	Evelyn Sobolo Anderson, 1989.
1952	Mary A Santulli, on June, 1991.
1956	Anne Hanaway Johnson, on November 8, 1990.
1962	Virginia Hovey Frier, on July 1, 1990.
1965	Judith Gilbert Crotty, on February 3, 1991.

PEARLS FROM THE PAST

We received the following two diplomas in perfect condition and have had both framed. We have photographed and reduced them because we thought you would enjoy seeing them.



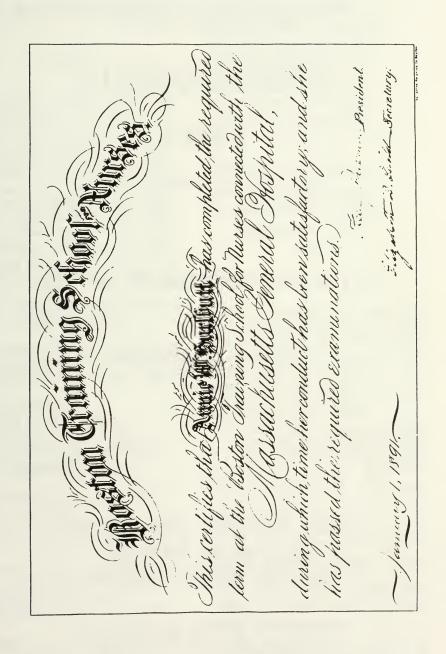
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CLASS NEWS

1927

We received a note from Reine Tredennick who is now living in a retirement home in Napa, CA. She says it is a very nice place. Her married daughter who lives in Napa has her hands full as her husband has had heart valve surgery. She has one granddaughter in college and one in high school. Her other daughter, Sue, returned from Africa in December, 1990 after serving in the Peace Corps for four years. She is a college graduate and an RN.

Her new address is 3460 Villa Lane, Apt. 217, Napa, CA 94558.

Her daughter, Sue, also sent along the following jingle that she said it states how her mother feels:

"A Little Mixed Up"
Just a line to say I'm living
that I'm not among the dead
though I'm getting more forgetful
and mixed up in the head.

For sometimes I can't remember when I stand at foot of stairs, if I must go up for something, or I've just come down form there.

And before the 'frig' so often my poor mind is filled with doubt have I just put food in there or have I come to take some out?

And there are times when its dark with my nightcap on my head, I don't know if I'm retiring or just getting out of bed.

If I missed my turn to write you there's no need of getting sore I may think that I have written and I don't want to be a bore.

So remember I do love you, and wish that you were here but now it's nearly mail time so I must say good-bye, my dear.

Imagine how I turned red before the mailman standing when I opened up this letter instead of handing it for mailing.

1934

Dear friends,

Just a year ago we were wondering how well Gene's recovery would be. We are happy to say, after a change of doctor's in June, he began to improve. After he lost down to 117 pounds her now weighs 132. has taken care of our yard and raked up leaves all fall and winter. He has even been back to the hospital in December to distribute magazines. He collected scrap paper there to bring home and make small note pads for the Volunteer Department. He also collects the unused computer labels from the Z-ray Dept, trims them up and gives them to groups for labeling food for the freezer of mailing packages. He still gives away bird feeders, but will soon have to start building them again. We thank God for all these blessings.

Lindsey was invited to another 100 year celebration of a Church her Grandfather Hail started in Yokkai

chi, Japan. When it looked as if Gene was recovering, we decided I should go for it in October. Carol Cox Nooe, who went to Japan with me in 1984, offered to come and stay the two weeks I would be gone. ann Belk drove down with three year old Zachary to help when she could. our second daughter, Pat Cox and Lin Wells took their vacation for two weeks to go with me.

We arrived in Osaka the night of the 7th, and were met by Japanese friends who took care of us. The following day Yuko Watanabe and her friend took us to Hiroshima to visit the Peace Park and Museum. With war clouds in the Near East growing ever more ominous, it was a terrible reminder of the devastation of Nuclear war! There were many school age children and young people touring the Park. They say every day bus loads come to see what happened here in a matter of 46 seconds. the city has rebuilt and there are many modern structures now. The city has developed the Peace Park and Museum as a detergent to war.

Tuesday we went to Nara, where my good friend Mrs Uchida, met us. She was one of my students in Memphis, and escorted us around the ancient Capitol. Nara was not bombed during the war, and the sacred deer still wander around the grounds freely. They come up to you and bow their heads asking for a cracker, which vendors sell. The old trees are carefully pruned and supported with poles when necessary. The Temples are more simple in style with natural wood tone finishes. The history of the area goes

back to 3000 BC and many of these temples were built in the years between 645 and 796 AD. We had lunch in a quiet, out of the way restaurant. We sat on the floor viewing a beautiful garden, while lunch was brought to us on trays. We lingered in this beautiful, peaceful place, sipping plum wine from tiny, bone chine cups, wishing to be able to return someday. Pat and Lin loved all these experiences as much as I.

We had a dinner engagement with my friends from Nishi Church that evening. We had a delicious dinner of Shabu-Shabu. the fellowship was wonderful. Japanese Christians are so very thoughtful and kind. We lingered about three hours eating and talking. They presented us with beautiful gifts.

Wednesday we visited Kyoto. The two Osaka Jogakuin graduates. Yuko and Masako Watanabe, were our lovely guides. The girls stayed with us in 1985 and now we considered them granddaughters. We enjoyed Kyoto, considered the cultural center of Japan. We concentrated on visiting four of the famous temples and gardens. First we went to Ryoanji where the Zen Buddhist Monks rake the white gravel garden each day. There are 15 large and small rocks in this garden. You sit on the veranda viewing the scene. Each individual is supposed to decide what this scene means to him. This garden was laid out in 1525.

Our next stop was the Golden Pavilion. At one time in 1220 AD it was a comfortable villa of Shogun Saionji. It was made into a Zen

Buddhist Temple in 1394. The garden remains as it was hundreds of years ago, beautiful!

The next temple we visited is very spectacular, as all the buildings are painted in an orange-red color and are trimmed in white. This is Heinan Temple. It also has a beautiful garden behind it. It was time for lunch where we had lots of fun with an older waitress. Lin had the largest bowl of food I have ever seen!

Finally we went to Kiomizu Temple, which is my favorite in Kyoto. It sits up on the slope of a m, mountain. You wonder how they were able to build the supports which have kept the Temple on the mountain. Mizu means water in Japanese, so Kiomizu, translates roughly to 'spring water from the mountain'. It has spring water running through a large bamboo pool into a stone basin. People flock to drink and wash in the water. They think there is medicinal power in it. thew view of the city below is spectacular, with the maple trees beginning to turn red.

It was time for us to head back to Osaka, where Mrs Watanabe had invited us for dinner that evening. We had a wonderful time in their lovely home and were overwhelmed with their kindness and hospitality. After dinner Masako played the piano for us. She is very talented, and later played for Lin to sing.

Thursday we went shopping in Osaka with another Memphis friend, Dr Harada, an Ophthalmologist.

Friday morning Pat and Lin got up early and rode the train to Osaka Castle and went through it before I got up! An Elder from Nishi church took us to see his business, a wholesale Kimono accessories store. It was interesting and had beautiful, colorful merchandise. After lunch he took us for a walking tour to see some of the many canals that cross the city. Then it was time for us to go to Osaka Jogakuin, where they were expecting us. This is also the one my Grandfather started and my mother taught here until 1941, when she became ill. I have many memories tied to the School from my youth. grounds are very beautiful, with some of the old trees tended lovingly. The new Jr College building is calling itself 'Wilmina', the old school name before the war. We had a good tour of the buildings and had my picture taken under the portrait of Grandpa Hail, in the Hail Chapel.

Saturday morning Yuko Watanabe came early to take us to the Bullet train for Nagova, where we met the Yokkaichi church friends. We had to board another train for Yokkaichi, an industrial city where they are trying to teach control of pollution and conservation of materials. It is hard to explain how thoughtful and kind everyone was to us, simply because we were related to a wonderful Grandpa! We were introduced to the congregation and had our picture made with them after Church. We had a Japanese Box luncheon with the entire group and then were taken to rest in the Pastor's home adjoining the church. while there the president of the Women's organization brought me a large box of

gifts the women had made for me. They mean so much to me because of the love that went into them.. the afternoon gathering included many visiting ministers and Elders who spoke. Telegrams and letters were read, including some from my Church and others from America. I was asked to say a few remarks and I presented a Banner I had made with the Scripture verse Grandpa Hail had given them, Luke 12:32. They presented us with beautiful scrolls. thanking us for coming. Everyone who had a funny story about Grandpa Hail told it. They were continually asking me my age, when I told them I was 79 they were so kind and helpful.

Monday morning a group from the church came to take us to Tsu. where my parents had lived and served in this seashore city. Now they are buried in the Christian part of the Cemetery. It was an emotional visit for me, sharing this special time with old and new friends. We drove to the old house and found them restoring the little Church which had been destroyed by a Typhoon several years ago. They are dedicating it to my father. The entire week end is one I can never forget. The pine tree my father planted for Christmas in 1910 is still there and tended carefully. It was a sad good-bye as I felt sure this would be my last visit. Everyone came to the train to see us off for Nagova. They waved us out of sight, it was like saying good-bye to our own family.

We spent two days in Karuizawa where I was born. It is in the mountains where we spent every summer

when we were growing up. Many 'Mish' kids have the memories of Mt Asama. We visited the Auditorium where we were Baptised and went to church. Walking down the 'Machi" I found a store with pictures of missionaries taken in 1933. I was elated to find my mother and my Aunt Annie in it. I bought it of course.

Our visit was drawing to a close. Pat and Lin voiced many time, 'you have wonderful friends'/ Which makes one wonder if only we could make friends with the people of the world, I'm sure we could face a Peaceful tomorrow.

Best wishes to all, Miriam Lindsey Hail Cox

1936

We received a note from Marguerite Vichules Bourgeois that her husband died suddenly at home on October 28, 1990. After 59 years with him this was quite a shock. Her daughter and 3 children ages 9, 10, and 12 are living with her and her son is nearby in Exeter, NH with his year old boy, George Albert V.

Her address is: Red House Road, Francestown, NH 03043.

In other news from Marjorie Goldthwait Richardson, 386 Riverway, Apt #4. Boston, MA 02115

Sympathy is sent to Marguerite Vichules Bourgeois on the loss of her husband, George.

We learned that Louise Howe (Edna Emerson) injured her shoulder and arm, but is healing nicely. This must have been difficult as she is a concert pianist. She also was saddened by the death of a baby granddaughter.

Christmas cards with no news were received from Eleanor Delaney Halton and Edith Lee MacCormick.

Evelyn Lyons Lawlor keeps cheerful and busy but her health is not good.

1937

Agnes Lang Reynolds Capewind 108 Pawtuxet Road Plymouth, MA 02360

Sorry the write-up I sent about Adrian Field Williams did not appear in the Quarterly under the class of 1937. She was killed in a car accident in Florida in April. Her death was listed under the class of 1929. Maybe a correction could appear in the next issue.

From the editor:

Please accept my apologies for the incorrect listing. We do try to print all material that reaches us by print time but occasionally we goof.

1938

Grace Walsh Kelley 462-825 Rainbow Drive Westwood, CA 96137 Spring arranging brought the Alumnae Record to the top. What better time to write a note for the Spring/Summer Record? I wish more of the Class of 1938 would write. I know the days go much faster after one retires and I am sure some must have retired by this time! As a result of retirement, one really gets less done - at least we seem to. In other words Class of 1938, PLEASE WRITE!

In September I was elected to be President of the Clear Creek Property Owners Association of Clear Creek of Lassen County. You probably will not find Clear Creek on most maps because it has only 400 people according to the sign on the highway. Most of those are here only in the summer. It is a delightful small community nestled in the mountains about 43 miles by car and 27 as the crow flies from Mt Lassen. We have a creek flowing through our back yard which flows into Lake Almanor. We fed up to 120 Mallard ducks until late winter when they took off and all but two couples are here. Walt made a Wood duck nest so we are going to wait and see what happens. sl far there are no takers.

The Property Owners election was September 5 and on October 14th while inspecting the culvert under the highway to make sure the crews had cleaned it out so the meadow would not get flooded, I slipped on the round gravel and fractured my left ankle. Steel plate with screws yet! My last X-ray will be April 8th. I hope I am walking well enough to satisfy the Doctor. I am not walking as rapidly as I once did.

My daughter Mary Rooney Belmonte '76 is presently working in L & D at Beth Israel, and living in Melrose,MA with her husband and three kids. They will be experimenting with living full time on the farm they have in Vermont. It sounds very fascinating to me. They will be in the area where my father was born and brought up. The farm house was built in 1852 and that is fascinating in itself. Mary is into quilting in a big way. I hope to take lessons in the next quilting class here.

ENUF! Let's get the retirees writing to the MGH Record!

In a note from Ruth Farrisey we learned that Eileen Wolseley's new address is Mount Carmel Nursing Home, 235 Myrtle Street, Manchester, NH 03104. Eileen is in considerable back pain and is quite limited visually and a mite forgetful but carries on a lively conversation on a variety of topics. She has a series of 10 - 12 faithful visitors and a pleasant little old lady as a room mate, but sh is overwhelmed by the number and intensity of her several ills and ails.

In a note from Esther H Burges we learned that she is still enjoying El Paso sunshine and her three children. Susanne lives in El Paso, is an Intelligence Analyst with the US Marshall Service at Biggs Army Air Base. John is Principal and Athletic Director, Clayton High School, Clayton, New Mexico and has 2 children. Christine is a Pediatric Physical Therapist with her

own practice in Reno, Nevada and has 2 children.

1939

Winona Behr Smith 7 Henderson Road Lexington, MA 02173 617 - 862 - 2740 Cape Cod - Summer 508 - 394 - 4741

It is with much sadness that I have to tell you of the death of our beloved classmate, Yvonne Goethel Ciesluk. Vonnie died of Lung Cancer at her home in early December. During WW II, she served as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corp. while in the service, she met her husband Adolph (Al). He and two sons survive her. she retired from nursing in 1981 her last position being that of Occupational Health Nurse at Barry controls in Watertown, MA. A collection was taken by those of us who live locally and flowers were sent from the class of 1939.

I had a great Christmas letter from Eunice White Doty who lives in Arlington, VA. Eunice lives a very active life with many children and family. she keeps in touch with Bert Morrison Fleury who, I believe, has moved from Amherst, MA to Saratoga, NY where she is interested in grooming horses.

Dot Duffy Hargreaves visited Florida recently. Dot did some detective work and located Rose Evasko (Eames) David who is now living in Naples, FL - hope Dot and Rose had a great visit.

Barbara Yatronich Noonan teaches Oriental Rug making - her rugs are beautiful. Barbara visited her son Frank and family in Manhattan over the Easter holiday.

Ada DeInnocentis Restieri and husband Ed will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations! They have two daughters and four grandsons.

Gracie Babcock Gatcomb and husband Maurice live in Wallingford, CT. Gracie has two sons, keeps busy with grandchildren and church. Also tells me she saw Barbara Peterson '39 who had a slight stroke, was with her sister in Old Saybrook, CT and would be going home May 1st for PT.

Didn't hear from Phyllis Brisette Heslin at Christmas (this was a 1st). Finally found Phyl and Jim who have moved from Hawaii to their apartment in NYC. Jim had become ill in Hawaii and they made the move back to NY. Had a flood in their apartment! Hope all is ok now and that Jim is on the mend.

Had a delightful note from Rosemary McCann MacIsaacs who lives in Austin, TX. She says that she doesn't miss New England winters and truly appreciates then in a painting or photograph.

Kay Tracey Taylor wrote me from her home in Skowhegan, ME. she had spent Thanksgiving with some of husband's (Richard) family. Rick died several years ago. Kay keeps in touch with Clare Moran who lives in FL during the winter and Avon, CT summers.

Fran McDonnell Sciore tells me she feels great since her cardiac surgery a year and a half ago. She's a busy gal with grandchildren and great grandchildren!

Mary Gay Aubrey has been a daily patient at the Cox Building, MGH where she has been under going extensive radiation treatment for oral cancer. Mary told me this evening that she never ceases to be amazed at the wonders of MGH. So many, many changes and she is so very proud to have been a part of this great institution.

Mary heard from Honor Stanton Kron who now lives in a retirement village, Hinsdale, IL and is very happy.

Phyllis Wilbur Hanson and I talk frequently. Phyll sings with a great group, is in competition with other groups, travels with the group to US and Canadian cities on the Northeast seacoast.

I heard from Julie Boghosian, Mary McCarthy Wheeler (great Christmas letters) and Dotty Wilbur McLean who, with husband, went to Alaska to visit their son.

Can't seem to locate some of our classmates among them: Betty Corson Harrington, Pauline Myers Godfrey, Anne Siplas Dattola and Eleanor Whiting Burkin. If any of you know of their where-abouts, please let me know. Thanks.

I have decided to stay well this year-having frequented four ors last year. My oldest granddaughter Wendy is being married in June. am planning to spend much of the summer at the Cape (after the wedding). I volunteered for a memory, aging and social study at BU not too long ago. Was very interesting (however when I finished I felt I needed a tag with my name and address on it).

Remember the MGH Alumnae Reunion is the last Saturday in September. Let's try to attend our 52nd (do you believe). Also, any news would be appreciated so much. Have a great summer.

1940 - Feb.

Josephine Mangio Keaveney 76 Oakdale Ave Dedham, MA 02026

Since our 50th reunion, I have received many cards and letters telling me how great it was to see so many of our classmates.

Barbara (Bunny) Jensen has taken some very nice pictures of small groups (2 or 3 people) at our banquet and at homecoming. These are of both sections.

If you wold like to have any copies please write to Bunny at: 56 Greenacre Ave, Longmeadow, MA 01106. The cost is \$0.55 per picture.

Please send me any change of address and news as it happens so we can have news in the Record.

Hope to see more classmates at the September Homecoming.

1941 Sept.

Marion L Bancroft Wacker 243 Orange Rd NW Lake Placid. FL 33852

It has been a long time since I wrote before this. After graduation I left and MA immediately to go to the University of Minnesota to get my degree in Public Health Nursing. Then I moved to San Francisco where I worked for the Visiting Nurses.

I have kept in touch with a few of my classmates like Faith Robert Koaker who has been very ill with cancer and Ebba Rudine Ray.

I would like to come to a reunion if there is to be one in 1991. My husband and I were missionaries with Wycliffe Bible Translators for 22 years. Then he became a Pastor in FL. We lived in the jungles of Perubefore. New we are retired and live in the Orange groves of Central FL. We have 2 sons and 2 daughters and sic grand children. I would love to hear from other classmates.

1947 Feb.

Helen McCoy 158 Mountain Avenue Park Ridge, NJ 07656

Homecoming was enjoyed by the "girls of September". Barbara Watson took a group picture, and individuals and had copies made for us. Thanks, Barbie.

Betty Andersen and Lou Carrier are going to France the month of August, and exchange their home with a French couple who will reside in the Carrier home in Dennis. Super, as Jack and I have enjoyed vacations there with the Curriers. That couple is fortunate!

Rena wrote from CA, celebrated 43 years of marriage - Brue (MD) is retired. They were in Saudi Arabia and Arab Emirates from 1983 to 1988. So glad they are home. Her son, Bill, and family is in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and has a private dental clinic. Her daughter Carol manages infection control at Goleta Valley Hospital, her husband is the swim coach at U !C. Santa Barbara and they have 3 children. Daughter, Margaret lives in Oakland, CA and is a professor of psychology at St Mary's College, has one son and is pregnant with twins. Rena is active in Red Cross and the medical auxiliary. She is going to try to come to Homecoming in '92.

Ginny Humphries has been ill but progressing. Keep us posted on your progress, Ginny.

Annia retired at the end of 1990. Her son, Roger, on Nantucket Island. Sandra in Maryland, a computer specialist for the IRS and Joanne is in Weymouth. each of the girls has a little son - Patrick and Robert.

Got a wonderful Christmas note from Marg Krimmel from Peoria. She's been busy. In CA with #2 son,

Andy, a reporter with the Orange County Register. Then Rob, #1 son and family joined them for a super vacation. Marg spent September traveling in England, Ireland and Scotland. In her "spare time" she works for the Red Cross and drives meals on wheels.

Sally Thorndyke's Christmas note was "breezy" as always. She retired and they were en route to Mexico for three weeks in January.

Mary Wallace's husband is doing well, slowly. The retina stayed attached after 5 surgeries.

Yvonne went to Hawaii in December to visit her daughter. In March, son, Harry, diagnosed acute leukemia married with 2 sons 27 and 9 months old. On chemo, hoping and praying to be able to have a bone marrow transplant, probably at Dana Farber. All our thoughts and prayers, Yvonne, to you, George and all the family. Please keep us informed about Harry.

Look forward to seeing you ALL in September. If not, please write.

1949 Sept.

The combined efforts of Jackie Auger Brown and Ruth Stronach Henshaw brings you the following news from Christmas cards - 1990:

Elsie Bahsler Peecher retired in July 1990 but Fred is still working. Both well and happy.

Irene Weisslinger Swan retired in June and spent the summer in

Vermont - plan to divide their time between their two homes.

Trudy Walsh Hynes only daughter married last April. Warren fully retired and they are enjoying their new found freedom. Planned a trip to mid or south west in February with Warren's nephew and his wife.

Ruth Tillson Lowell grandson #4 arrived, She now has all grandsons - took a 12 hour EKG course and enjoyed it very much, Congratulations.

Barbara Stevens Wright - all is well with Barbara and Herb, daughter Sue was made head of the winter garden library.

Evelyn Smith Adamic - daughter Cathy returned from a month in Australia.

Jean Lutz Perkins successful in finding Sara Wilhelm Babb after writing to Hood College. Sara and Dave's address is: 4424 St Andrews Circle, Las Vegas, Nevada 89107. Let's all send her a note.

Dot Johnson McCann had a busy Fall and winter #2 daughter, Kathy, had a baby girl born December 1st named Rachel Rose - a little Christmas angel. Rachel was Dot's 3rd grandchild in 6 months. Total grandchildren 6 - in between helping the them Dot found time to take courses at Stonehill College.

Fran Cavallo new address is Isles of Sandalfoot, 9235 SW 8th Street, Apt 114, Boca Raton, FL 33428. spent the holidays in Los Angeles visiting friends.

Ruth Stronach Henshaw and Bob are closing up their home in FL and are heading out to San Antonio, CA, National Parks, up the West Coast, across Canada to Nova Scotia, and to Boston and back to Miami. May take up to 6 months. Bon Voyage!

Jackie Auger Brown enjoying the short distance from our home in Rye, NH to the shore - only 2 miles and our grandchildren, all 9 of them, who enjoy splashing in the ocean.

Christmas cards received from: Blanche Covillaed Pat Edge Wilson Mary Libbey Morris

Thanks for keeping in touch.

1951 Sept.

Joan G. Parent (Vaillant) 265 Wilson Street Marlborough, MA 01752

Here we are into 1991! Forty years ago we graduated, and I sincerely hope that as many as possible can make it to Homecoming on September 28th. Keep that day open and try to attend.

Recent news:

Dodie Stone Bergeron sent a card at Christmas. She is anxious to attend Homecoming for our 40th. Dodie is still working in Nursing four days a week. Thinking of retiring at 62. She is expecting 6 of her 7 children and their families for the holidays. I'm sure they will bring a lot of happiness to Dodie when she needs it.

Baltimore and enjoy having their children living near by.

Janet Harrington retired after 30 some years taking care of newborn babies.

Remember 1992 is our 40th - hope to see many of you then. Any news to be put in the Fall/Winter Record let me know. I will be at Box 4, South Orleans, MA 02662 from June thru October. Last summer I worked part-time in a Nursing Home and will be doing so again this year.

1959 Sept.

Patricia Neunham 251 W Park Ave State College, PA 16803

Most of this is old news from Christmas cards 1990 or before, but I've not heard recently from anyone.

Carol Rench Publicover is working in Home Health in Orlando, FL area and loves it. She got her BSN in April, 1990. She recently received gerontological certification and spent January and February 1991 in Houston at M. D Anderson University, Texas for E T education (what is E T, Carol?) Her 5 children are all nearby.

Ellie Treinas Prevoski is also in Public Health. She has worked 12 years for VNA and continues to enjoy it. Both of her daughters are doing well. Cyndy left MGH and is a pharmacist with CVS.

Mary Fuber Raymond's husband, Al is retired and doing small engine re-

pair at home. Mary is continuing with school nursing. She enjoys her grandchildren, 3 & 16 months. Her sons Mark and Danny are still at home.

Jane Hartwell is working at a nursing home. She took a trip to Orlando in November.

Jackie Flynn is moving from West Palm Beach back to Austin, TX after January 1991.

Mary Perry's daughter graduates from high school this year. Mary's son's wife presented them with a granddaughter in May, 1990.

Di Floyd Baker is working as school nurse and summer camp nurse. she has a multigenerational home with her mother, mother-in-law and two daughters living at home with her and Don in Ridgefield, CT.

Lucy Baker Hofer and I had a nice telephone chat recently. Her father died in March in a nursing home near them. Lucy has left her Health Dept. job to work privately with elderly home care and child care. She has been on the local Planned Parenthood Board for 12 years.

A surprise letter from Pat Smethurst Perry came in June, 1990. She left MGH after 28 years as night nurse on Phillips House 5 & 6. she works full time days at Salem Hospital in Labor, Delivery, and Post Partum and loves it. she has just celebrated her 32nd anniversary! Her children are doing well. Steve and his wife (a nurse at NEMIC) have 2 children. Dave works for NYNEX and has a

Heard from Olga Sadotti Aasen. One daughter was married in February of 1990, and expecting this summer. Her second daughter will be married in March of 1991. Her third daughter will graduate from UCLA in June and is studying at the Sorbonne in Paris. She is taking all her classes in French, and she worked for Quincy Jones in LA while at school. Olga is working half time in the Emergency Room and feels it exciting with the Medical Monitoring and potent drugs - particularly the "clot busters". She is a Californian now and has been for many years.

Joan McCarthy Peterson sent a long note. She and Pete are the busiest retired people in New England. Hubby Pete never gardened anything that he couldn't eat. Now he grows flowers. They took a trip to Canada, New Brunswick, Quebec and around the Gaspe Peninsula. Plus spending ioyous а Thanksgiving in FL during the heat-Joan's grandchildren are Briana (7) in second grade and Corey (5) in a YMCA program as he's too young for kindergarten. Joan's daughter Andrea has her own secretarial business in Concord, NH, called Bracsyn, Inc. The slow economy is creating an active business for resume's, etc. Joan is also learning to use the word processor. plus thinking of not renewing her nursing license in 1992.

Joan did see Nat Quirk Meaney and Frank at their Meredith Neck, NH summer home last June. Nat lives in Valley Forge, PA and works for her husband in his store. She has one

two year old grandson and four other children who are single. According to Joan, Nat looks the same except for a few grey hairs.

Marion Decker Manes wrote me at Christmas that J.B. Stocks, D. Sears, M. Kelleher and she are coming to the reunion. Marion is active in Real Estate and hubby and she play golf. They are grandparents of 6 (twin girls in August). Daughter Robin moved to FL. Marion will be visiting her this winter.

No other news here. We are expecting grandchild number two in June. See you all in September!

1952 March

Elsie-Mary Hopkins Barnett 3341 Doncaster Ct Virginia Beach, VA 23452

There were six of us at Homecoming last September to see Dot Mahoney step down as President. Those present were Barbara Lumbra Piraino, Barbara Robinson Sollows-Davis, Janet Harrington, Cathy Harrington Boyd, Eleanor Jones Young and myself.

Joan Hutt Beranek wrote that she lost her husband, Mike, last July. She is expecting her fourth grand-child this summer.

Dot Mahoney's mother passed away in June 1990. She will be missed by a great many of Dot's classmates.

A Christmas card from Carlyn Bryant Spooner said they are still in Monterey Peninsula. John is with a new company in Silver Springs, as he was among the cutbacks at the Navy Yard. Gene remains with the Rescue Squad and at the race track.

Nancy Bassett Campbell, 218 Harvard Dr, Torrington, CN 06790. This is a big year for graduations! Andy graduated from Central Comm State University in December, 1990. He also was married last August. He is diligently looking for a job in Secondary Education. In May, Ellen will graduate from Southern Conn State University, and Carrie will graduate from Muhlenberg College in PA. Both of the girls have majored in drama, and will pursue acting careers. In December 1991, Belinda expects to graduate from the University of NH. Nancy is very proud of the accomplishments of all 4 of her children. They all worked part-time and paid for most of their educational costs. Nancy works at the psyche unit at the University of Conn Health Center in Farmington. It was a pleasure to spend some time talking to her on the phone.

Marilyn Thayer cote, Rte 782, Purcellville, VA 22132.

Roslyn Ruggiero Elms. My Christmas card to Roz was returned, as there was no forwarding address on file at the post office. Does anyone have an address, or any news about Roz? Fitzie states that she is divorced, and working in San Francisco.

Elaine Finley Flanagan, 190 Barley Neck Rd, Orleans, MA 02653. Jim and Elaine have 3 grandchildren. John's boys are Jamie 2 1/2 and Conor 9 months. Kevin has a daughter Michela 1 year old. Elaine is enjoying lots of gardening.

Amanda McCrae Fuhro, 3808 Carmen, Brownsville, TX 78520. Received a card from them. Victor is Dean of Occupational-Technical Education Division at Texas Southmost College in Brownsville.

Jamin Schofield Guarino, 287 High St. Hingham, MA 02043. I called Jamin to see how she was. She is working part-time with Hospice through the Quincy Visiting Nurse Association. Ron is well - he closed the Taxi Business a year ago, and is job-searching. Julie is a Biomedical Technician at Children's Hospital, and is in the process of relocating to a similar position in Fort Lauderdale, Laurie works at the Burn/Trauma Unit at Brigham and Women's Hospital. she graduated from New England Baptist Hospital and obtained her degree from Curry College, and Susan is an Internal Revenue Officer in NH. It was nice to spend some time on the phone with Jamin

Maxine Clark Hybarger, 335 Henderson Dr. San Jose, CA 95123. Maxine and Ray have a new love - Hawaii. They have a timeshare arrangement, and have spent time on the Kona Coast on the Island of Hawaii, at the Imperial Hawaii Resort in Waikiki in Oahu, and on the Island of Kauai. In July, Maxine attended her 35th High School Reunion in Caribou, ME and visited family in Washburn. Ray is an Environmental Engineer with the Santa Clara County. He has joined a theater group. Maxine continues at wife in Salem VNA. They also have 2 children. Mike, a fireman, was just married in September, 1990. Shelley is a junior at U of Maine. Pat really enjoyed our 30th reunion. Pat lives in Marblehead.

Alice McCraith Turiello writes from South Hamilton, MA (April 1990) that she has been ill with a brain tumor. doctors were considering radioactive isotope implantation. We will all send our prayers and best wishes to her. Her daughter Rose is a sophomore at Williams. Cindy, in high school enjoys riding. Sean is also in high school, so Alice is busy!

Bob and I continue to travel a lot to meetings where he often discusses his electroceramic research. I am working part-time as staff nurse at Foxdale Retirement Village, a Quaker run facility in State College. Our son, Randy just got his Master's in Political Science at UCLA and is starting on his doctoral thesis. Rosemary is finishing her junior year at Penn State with a semester abroad program at U of Manchester in England.

Please send your news!

1959 March

Mary Flannery Caira 19 Fuller Terrace West Newton, MA 02165

Alice Wright Burd, 22 Cherry Tree Lane, Shrewsbury, PA 17361. Alice and Miles moved into their new home in the Spring of 1990. They live across from a horse farm, which also has a pond, where Miles can do some fishing. Alice has been busy decorating the new home. Miles drives 60 miles to work, and has moved to a staff position with the Defense Department in Ft Meads, MD. Stephen is a PFC in the Prince George County Police Department. He has a condo in Beltsville, MD. Alice's parents live a church retirement home, about an hour away. Miles' mother lives about 2 1/2 hours away. Alice and Miles live just 1.3 miles west of Interstate 83, and are enjoying entertaining friends and family.

Gail Kent Clemmer, 15 Pine Road "Keen-wik", Selbyville, DE 19975, 607 Worington Dr, West Chester, PA 19382 (during the school year). I talked to Gail during the year. She was laid off from the job that she loved so much. She had much difficulty with her home, as the builder who redesigned it had made many errors. She bought a condo in West Chester where she is the nurse for 2 Parochial schools. Ellen is engaged to be married in 1992. David is well.

Gene Shaffer Corcoran, 6900 Fitzpatrick Dr. Laurel, MD 20810. John and Gene have done quite a bit of renovations to their home. They are very involved, almost yearround with Finnish exchange students. Gene's mon died in August, at the age of 84. Daughter Susan and husband John live nearby, with their two sons, Christopher 7, and Nicholas, 1 year old. Danny and 2 friends share a house nearby. JD and his wife and children just bought a home in Stockton, CA. Gene spent a week with them in CA and saw Max and Ray while there. With them, she saw the lovely

Santa Teresa Hospital in the Post Anesthesia Recovery Unit, where she has worked for 14 years. She also is busy as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Senior Nutrition and Service Center in Los Gatos.

Barbara King Hemingway, 24 Alberta Rd, Brookline, MA 02167.

Eleanor Dyer Hamilton, 20 Queensland Rd, No Billerica, MA 01862.

Suzanne Seymour Keohane, 1818 Ridgeway, Colorado Springs, CO 80906.

Ruth Fife Mann, 35 Fife Rd, Canterbury, NH 03224. Ruth and I met at the CEU program at MGH in September. she and Ginger are about to renovate their kitchen. Douglas is in the Air Force, stationed in Dayton, OH. Martha is public information person at Maine Medical Center in Portland. Rebecca continues to manage a bed and breakfast Kennybunkport, while husband Allen is studying English and secondary education at University of Southern Maine.

Judith Palmer Muggia, 14 Dartmouth St, Winchester, MA 01890. Judie's Christmas greetings included a wonderful family picture, taken at Al and Melanie's lovely wedding in North Carolina in March 1990. Al & Melanie live in Wellesley, while Al finishes a Fellowship at Beth Israel Hospital, and Melanie continues with Delta. Will is attending Harvard Business School, and is engaged to Brooke Nussbaumer.

she is an intern in Early American Antiques at Skinner Galleries, while she does window designs for Country Road of Australia. They will marry this June. Frank is in Law practice with Burns Levinson. Al continues to bike, hike, and ski. Judie is finished her last year as Selectman. They have travelled to France twice, and spent a wonderful week horseback riding in Arizona. Judie has had some problems with her back.

Mary Jannino Romeo, 4 Stephanie St, Burlington, MA 01940.

Mary Duggan Roy, 7 Rambling Woods Drive, Morristown, NJ 07960. Although I didn't hear from Mary recently, Fitzie saw Mary and shared some news about her and her family. Norm is travelling extensively, and Mary joins him on some of his trips, including recent travel to the Orient. Norm's dad died recently. Norm and Mary's children are very busy. Ann and husband recently had their second child. Mary Eileen is involved in child-care. Kay is married, living in England and is a buyer for Esprit clothing. She recently visited Fitzie. Ellen is spending a year as an exchange student in England. so has spent time with her sister also. Michelle graduated from Boston College last year, is planning to go to Europe, and hopes to get a job in France. Their son is fine, attending school in Mary's sister Barbara is in Bangladesh as а Marvknoll Missionary. she is working in Maternal and Child Health - having a tough time with the language.

Roberta Fitzgerald Snyder, 180 West 58th St Apt 5B, NY,NY 10019. After multiple attempts, I finally reached Roberta by phone, and had a grand conversation. She hopes to wind up her divorce very soon. She continues to have a number of health-related problems. she shared much news with me about the Roys.

The Cairas. I continue at Leonard Morse Hospital, while Mike is still with Mass Gas and Electric. With the awful fiscal problems here in MA we're grateful to have jobs! Young Michael is fine - still singing with the Concert Choir. Christopher is doing quite well - is still at home with his doberman. Maria and Jim live across So, "Empty Nest the street. Syndrome" is simply a figment of someone's imagination. Our big news is that we expect to welcome our first grandchild in August. My current crisis is trying to decide what I want to be called - I'm not even sure I'm ready to be a Grandma! I recently spent 10 days in FL, visiting friends all over the state.

As usual, I haven't heard from some of you. I've tried unsuccessfully to reach some of you by phone. If I get more news, it won't be a problem to send out an update.

1966

This is the 25th. On behalf of the members of the class of 66 Northeastern Alternate Program I would like to invite all members of the class who are in the area to join us on Friday evening after the CEU program (5 pm) in the Bulfinch

Conference Room, Bulfinch second floor for wine and cheese and a chance to begin the Homecoming weekend. The NU group is making plans and hope to have most of the members of the group at homecoming. If you want information contact Linda Lass-Schuhmacher, P.O.Box 657, Lexington, MA 02173.

1971

Jan Garrity Allen 995 Concord Drive Midina, OH

Please send me info on the 20th. I am a Navy Nurse Reservist who has just returned from Desert Storm. In my civilian job I am administrator of a clinic for Kaiser Perm.

1974

Carol Bergeron Hewson has been selected for promotion to Lt Col in the USAF Nurse Corps. She is currently the Clinic Coordinator/ Assistant Chief, Nursing Services in Mountain Home AFB, ID. Carol and her husband Jim and two children Daniel 7 and Sara 5 moved from CA to ID this past summer.

1977

Mary Jean Conroy left MGH in November 1990 to pursue a career in the USAF Nurse Corps. She was recently commissioned a 1st Lieutenant and will be in Cheyenne Wyoming for her first duty station.

Kate Surman C-2 Surgery MTF USNS Comfort (PAH20) FPO NY NY 09566-4008

I have been deployed to the Persian Gulf since late August. I am in the Navy now with the rank of Lieutenant and presently work as an operating room nurse. I am assigned to the hospital ship USNS Comfort. It is one of 2 Navy hospital ships.

When the war is over I will return to Bethedsa Naval Hospital and the operating room there. I will also finish my course work for a masters degree in health care administration.

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HOMECOMING 1991

This year 51 attended the CEU Program on Friday and 260 attended the Saturday program and luncheon. This year the following classes were honored: 1931 on their 60th year, the class of 1941 on their 50th year, the class of 1951 on their 40th year, the class of 1966 on their 25th year, and the class of 1981 on their 10th year.

The class of 1951 on their 40th reunion made a donation to the Association in honor of Sylvia Perkins to by used for MGH graduates who are going into advanced study.

This year both the CEU Program on Friday and the program at Homecoming were given by Deborah K Mayer RN, MSN, OCN, Assistant Professor, Oncology MGH IHP. We have reprinted, with the authors permission, the article that was utilized for the Friday program and give below a brief summary of the Saturday program.

ONCOLOGY NURSING SYMPOSIUM

Title: Past, Present and Future Status of Cancer in the United States

Session description: Over one million Americans, will be diagnosed with cancer this year. Approximately half of those diagnosed today will be alive five years from now. changes in cancer prevention, early detection, diagnosis and treatment over this century will be reviewed. the National Cancer Institute's goals of reducing cancer morbidity and mortality for the year 2000 will be discussed. the role of the nurse, both professionally and personally, in reaching these goals will be outlined.

Biotherapy: Recent Advances and Nursing Implications

Deborah K. Mayer, RN, MSN, OCN*

Biologic response modifiers (BRM) will be used increasingly in the diagnosis and treatment of cancers in the 1990s. The purpose of this article is to provide an overview of the recent advances in the development and use of BRM. Emphasis is placed on agent-specific side effects and the nursing management of patients receiving BRM. The article concludes with a discussion of the current economic and social issues

associated with the administration of these agents.

Although α -interferon is the only agent presently approved by the Food and Drug Administration as BRM, more than 300 clinical trials are underway. It is anticipated that six additional BRM will be approved by 1991. The Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association conducted a survey and found that nearly one half of the 97 biotechnology products currently in human testing are related to cancer. Most are monoclonal antibodies or interferons. A basic understanding of the immune system is presumed and will not be reviewed in this article. The reader is referred to some general references on this topic 19.41.42 if further information is desired.

HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

The idea that the immune system will influence the course of a cancer has been postulated during the last century. 9.12 In fact, the earliest attempts at immunotherapy occurred in the late 1800s when Dr. Coley used a toxin after noting that some patients remained tumor-free when experiencing severe infections. 9.14 Dr. Ehrlich, in a 1900 address, noted: "We are brought more and more to the conviction that the blood serum is the carrier of substances innumerable as yet little known or conceived of." 12

Biological Response Modifiers Clinical Coordinator, Massachusetts General Hospital; and Adjunct Assistant Professor, MGH Institute of Health Professions, Boston, Massachusetts

It was not until the 1960s and 1970s that both laboratory and clinical trials in immunotherapy became a major area of investigation. The most commonly used agents included bacillus Calmette-Guérin (BCG), methanol-extracted residue (MER) of BCG, Corynebacterium parvum, and other bacterial or tumor vaccines. Some laboratory and early clinical studies produced promising results. These positive findings generated further interest in immunotherapy. Larger-scale studies were conducted; however, previous findings were not replicated.³⁷As a result, many health professionals developed a negative attitude about the efficacy of an immunologic approach to treating cancer. This attitude is still evident with some professionals today.

Many reasons have been postulated for the poor results of the clinical trials of the 1960s and 1970s. Small numbers of patients, lack of controls, empiric treatment regimens, and, most important, the use of relatively crude nonspecific immunotherapeutic agents may have con-

tributed to the negative results.

Scientific advances in the 1970s and early 1980s, however, set the stage for the current advances in immunomodulation. Two techniques that have had revolutionary effects on health care, in particular oncology, include recombinant deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) technology and the development of hybridomas. ^{25,38} Recombinant technology allows for the isolation of a specific segment of human DNA (for example, the DNA responsible for the production of interferon and the fusion of the DNA into a bacterial plasmid). Hybridoma technology, conversely, introduces an antigen into a mouse. This stimulates the mouse immune system to develop an antibody that is then fused to a myeloma cell line creating a hybridoma. Both of these techniques provide large amounts of relatively pure biologic agents for study.

Another major advance that fostered the growth of BRM research is the increased ability to handle the information explosion in the field of molecular biology through the use of computers.³⁷ The knowledge generated from molecular biology has increased and clarified our understanding not only of cancer and its treatment but also of the immune system in general and of other diseases such as the acquired immunode-

ficiency syndrome.

BRM AGENTS

Biologic response modifiers include agents or approaches to cancer treatment that modify the person's own biologic responses to his or her tumor. ³⁶ Three major mechanisms of BRM actions exist. The first group of agents augment, restore, or modify either directly or indirectly the host defenses against the tumor. The second group of agents are directly tumoricidal. The third group of BRM agents modify the tumor's biology. Some agents such as interferon may exert their effort through more than one mechanism. The biologic responses produced by these agents include but are not timited to the immune system—hence the change in terminology from immunotherapy to biologic response modifiers or biotherapy. The major classification of BRM agents is listed in Table 1.

Table 1. Major Biologic Response Modifiers Classification

CATEGORY	NO. OF STUDIES
Lymphokines/Cytokines	
Interferons	88
Interleukin-2 to -6	103
Tumor necrosis factor	23
Monoclonal antibodies	27
Growth - Maturation Factors	
Colony-stimulating factors	41
Transforming growth factors	
Effector Cells	
Leukocyte-activated-killer	
Natural kill	
Tumor-infiltrating-lymphocytes	6
Tumor-Associated Antigens	
Vaccines	22
Nonspecific Immunomodulators	
Bacille Calmette-Guérin, levamisole, Corynebacterium parvum	22

^{*} Based on studies listed in Physician Data Query, August 1989.

Clinical trials are ongoing to determine the maximum tolerated dose, maximum biologic dose, side effects, and pharmacokinetics of these agents in phase I studies; tumor responses through phase II studies; and comparisons with standard therapies through phase III studies. In addition, they are being used along with standard therapies in adjuvant studies.

Reviewing the approximately 300 clinical trials listed through the National Cancer Institute's Physician Data Query data base demonstrated that one third of the BRM studies were phase I, about one half were phase II, 15% were phase III, and 5% were adjuvant studies. The number of studies per agent is listed in Table 1. BRM are initially tested as single agents and then are tested for use in conjunction with other BRM or other cancer treatment modalities. Hence, many BRM are in the "pipeline" for use in standard treatment regimens.

A brief description of the most commonly used BRM is provided subsequently. The reader should consult additional resources when administering a specific agent (see resource section). BRM may be administered intravenously, intramuscularly, intra-arterially, subcutaneously, intradermally, intralesionally, or intracavitarily. Dosages are usually prescribed on a milligram or units per body surface area or weight basis.

Interferons

Interferons $(\alpha, \beta, \text{ and } \gamma)$ are a species-specific group of glycoproteins that have antiviral, immunomodulatory, and antiproliferative activities. ^{13,24} Greatest activity has been documented in hematologic malignancies. Side effects include—but are not limited to—fever, chills, myalgias, fatigue, weight loss, decreased concentration, and changes in blood counts and liver function tests.

Interleukin

Interleukin-2 (with or without lymphokine-activated-killer or tumor-infiltrating-lymphocyte cells) is a lymphokine that causes T-cell proliferation and multiple functional activities of effector cells. Clinical activity has been seen in melanomas and renal-cell carcinomas. Side effects include—but are not limited to—capillary leak syndrome, fever, chills, myalgias, headaches, and confusion. 22,30

Tumor Necrosis Factor

Tumor necrosis factor is a cytokine of macrophages and B cells that has cytotoxic and cytostatic effects.³⁵ Clinical activity has not yet been determined. Side effects include—but are not limited to—inflammation at the injection site, hypotension, fever, flu-like syndrome, diarrhea, and changes in blood counts and triglycerides.³²

Monoclonal Antibodies

Monoclonal antibodies and immunoconjugates are homogeneous populations of immunoglobulins usually developed against tumor-associated antigens. These proteins may be administered alone or fused with radioisotopes, drugs, or toxins. Monoclonal antibodies have been used in the diagnosis, monitoring, and treatment of various cancers. Clinical activity has been demonstrated in some hematologic malignancies; however, many problems need to be overcome before these agents will have widespread clinical usefulness. Side effects include fever, chills, urticaria, dyspnea, wheezing, and anaphylaxis. 11

Hemopoietic Colony-Stimulating Factors

Hemopoietic colony-stimulating factors (CSF) are glycoproteins that stimulate and regulate various cell line development in hematopoiesis. ^{16,27,34} Granulocyte-macrophage CSF, granulocytic CSF, and erythropoietin are the agents that have been most studied to date. Clinical activity is not antiproliferative, unlike other BRM. The agents act to limit or reverse myelosuppression. Side effects include—but are not limited to—fever, myalgias, phlebitis, flushing, rash, transient bone pain, and weight gain.

Vaccines

Vaccines made from the patient's own tumor (autologous) or from pooled tumor-associated antigens (allogeneic) have been studied in melanoma, renal-cell carcinoma, colon cancers, and leukemia. Some activity has been noted. 3,18,36 Side effects are usually local (ulceration) or regional (lymphadenopathy) and are more likely to result if BCG is part of the vaccine.

Bacillus Calmette-Guérin

Bacillus Calmette-Guérin is an attenuated strain of mycobacterium bovis that is a nonspecific immunostimulant. ¹³ Clinical activity has been demonstrated in superficial bladder cancer and in regressing melanoma lesions. Intradermal or intralesional administration may cause superficial ulceration; intravesical administration may cause dysuria, frequency, and hematuria. Fever, flu-like syndrome, and hypersensitivity reactions (including anaphylaxis) can occur.

Levamisole

Levamisole is an antihelminthic with some nonspecific immunomodulatory effects.¹³ Clinical activity may exist in early-stage colon cancers. Side effects include mild nausea, diarrhea, dermatitis, and leukopenia.

SIDE EFFECTS

The common side effects of many of the BRM are listed in Table 2. Each agent, however, has its own unique side effects. Side effects may be acute or chronic. Some side effects are more common, whereas others occur with decreased frequency. Table 3 outlines the nursing assessment and management of the most common side effects. The reader is referred to several excellent sources for additional information. Fig. 21,31 The most common nursing diagnoses associated with BRM administration are actual or potential alteration in knowledge deficit, coping, com-

fort, protective mechanisms, nutrition, and elimination. 2,6

The two most commonly experienced side effects are the flu-like syndrome and fatigue. Flu-like syndrome includes fever, chills, myalgias, and headache. Table 4 summarizes the pattern of flu-like syndrome for the commoner BRM. ¹⁵ Approaches to managing these symptoms include altering the treatment (i.e., timing, dosage), administering medications, and providing comfort. ¹⁵ Fatigue is an almost universal experience for patients receiving BRM. The patterns and experience of this side effect have not been well documented. ³⁹ Interventions may involve altering treatment times and activity—rest patterns along with counseling the patient that this side effect is not necessarily due to tumor progression. ^{1,39}

(Text continued on page 302)

Table 2. Common Side Effects of Biologic Response Modifiers*

Fatigue
Fever
Chills
Myalgias
Nausea
Vomiting
Anorexia
Weight change (increase or decrease)
Headache
Central nervous system changes
Hematologic changes
Hypotension

^{*} Adapted from Strauman J: The nurse's role in the biotherapy of cancer: Nursing research of side effects. Oncol Nurs Forum 15:35, 1988.

Table 3. Nursing Assessment and Management

Pretreatment Assessment Considerations

Previous experience with anticancer therapies

Pertinent history and physical assessment (i.e., disease status, organ system function,

response to previous therapies, other illnesses)

Pertinent psychosocial history (i.e., response to illness, current emotional status)

Pertinent laboratory data

Informed consent (i.e., written vs. verbal)

Treatment protocol details

Patient - Family Education

Treatment protocol plans and schedule Handling, storage, and administration

Self-management of side effects (routine anaphylaxis)

Post-treatment care

Side Effects

Representative (i.e., not inclusive) side effects associated with biologic response modifiers are listed subsequently. Their pathophysiologic mechanisms should be explained to patient and family in detail desired. Discuss nursing management within nursing process framework. Develop management plan for patient based on specific biotherapeutic regimen of patient and anticipated side effects. Structure for outline of each symptom includes pathophysiologic mechanism, listing of major nursing assessment parameters, potential and actual nursing diagnoses, and outline of primary nursing interventions. Assessment parameters and interventions may be performed by nurse or taught to patient and family. Nurse should develop individualized treatment plan for each patient.

Toxicity Grade

Expected vs. toxic Acute vs. chronic Common vs. rare

Common Side Effects

Taste alterations
Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Patterns of changing taste sensation

Impact on nutritional intake (daily weight, calorie count)

Actual - potential nursing diagnosis: alteration in nutrition: less than body requirements

Nursing interventions

Encourage oral hygiene before and after meals

Encourage patient to increase use of flavorings and to serve foods warm

Encourage patient to increase fluid intake

Anorexia

Pathophysiology

Biotherapy-related

Disease-related

Nursing assessment parameters

Dietary history

Height and weight

Anthropomorphic measurements

Serum albumin - transferrin

Actual – potential nursing diagnosis: alteration in nutrition: less than body requirements

Nursing interventions

Instruct patient to eat small, frequent, attractive meals

Encourage patient to eat diet high in calories and protein, provide high-protein supplements as needed (unless contraindicated as in some renal-cell patients)

Instruct patient to weigh self routinely; frequency determined by patient's condition

Provide comfortable, nonstressful environment; encourage rest before and after meals

Cardiovascular

Capillary leak syndrome

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters Intake-output, daily weight

Abdominal girth

Respiratory cardiovascular assessment

Actual-potential nursing diagnosis: alteration in fluid volume: excess

Nursing interventions

Administer 5% albumin dopamine or phenylephrine as ordered

Elevate extremities if peripheral edema present

Monitor intravenous fluids closely

Monitor electrolytes
Orthostatic hypotension

Pathophysiology—decreased systemic vascular resistance

Nursing assessment parameters

Monitor orthostatic vital signs every 4 hours Monitor fluid and electrolytes for imbalance

Actual - potential nursing diagnosis: activity intolerance, self-care deficit

Nursing interventions

Teach patient cause of dizziness

Encourage patient to exercise extremeties while lying down (passive exercises) Teach patient to sit on edge of bed or chair until dizziness passes before standing

Diarrhea

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Assess bowel habits

Perform an abdominal assessment

Assess nutritional patterns

Actual-potential nursing diagnosis: alterations in bowel elimination: diarrhea

Nursing interventions

Instruct patient to avoid high roughage and greasy or spicy food

Encourage patient to increase fluid intake and avoid stimulants (e.g., caffeine) Instruct patient to observe and record number and consistency of daily bowel movements

Encourage the patient to do perianal care after each bowel movement

Monitor serum fluid and electrolytes

Administer antidiarrheal medications at first signs of diarrhea

Erythema

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Perform skin assessment daily

Actual-potential nursing diagnosis: impairment of skin integrity

Nursing interventions

Instruct patient to avoid irritation to the skin (e.g., keep nails short and avoid prolonged sun exposure, irritating soaps, and cosmetics)

Protect skin integrity and promote body hygiene

Administer medication (as ordered) to relieve irritation

Apply water-based lotion or cream to body as needed while skin is damp

Fatigue

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Assess effect of fatigue on activities of daily living

Assess usual pattern of sleep and rest

Actual - potential nursing diagnoses: activity intolerance, sleep pattern disturbance Nursing interventions

Encourage patient to follow usual pattern of sleep and rest Encourage patient to plan extra periods of rest as needed

Encourage patient to seek assistance with daily activities as necessary Assist patient in pacing and prioritizing activities according to energy level

Flu-like syndrome Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Observe for clinical manifestations (e.g., fever, chills, aches) Obtain vital sign readings as indicated by clinical manifestations

Actual - potential nursing diagnosis: alterations in comfort

Nursing interventions

Administer antipyretic treatment as ordered Other comfort measures as indicated (heating pad) Encourage adequate nutritional and fluid intake

Medications to relieve chills (meperidine [Demerol], or morphine) as ordered

Hepatic toxicity Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Assess liver enzymes
Intake and output, weight
Abdominal girth

Actual - potential nursing diagnoses

Potential for injury

Alteration in comfort: pain Alteration in comfort: pruritus

Nursing interventions

Encourage adequate fluid intake See interventions for erythema

Mood alterations

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Perform a neurologic and mental status assessment Assess for subtle changes in mood, affect, cognition

Actual - potential nursing diagnosis: alteration in thought processes

Nursing interventions

Advise patient and family of the potential for labile or inappropriate - abnormal responses

Instruct patient and family to report the occurrence of labile or inappropriate – abnormal responses

Encourage patient and family to express their feelings

Nausea and vomiting

Pathophysiology Nursing assessment parameters

Assess for history of nausea and vomiting

Nutrition assessment

Actual - potential nursing diagnoses

Alterations in nutrition: less than body requirements

Fluid volume deficit

Nursing interventions

Provide a comfortable, nonstressful environment; encourage rest before and after meals

Avoid unpleasant sights, tastes, and smells

Premedicate with antiemetic as ordered and continue as needed

Encourage adequate nutritional intake; provide supplements as needed

Advise patient of the side effects of antiemetics

Instruct patient to report episodes of nausea and vomiting

Observe for signs of dehydration; monitor fluid and electrolyte status

Instruct patient to report weight loss

Consider alternate approaches to modify nausea and vomiting (e.g., relaxation techniques, self-hypnosis, and music therapy)

Pulmonary toxicity

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Verify baseline pulmonary function

Perform periodic physical assessments of pulmonary - cardiac systems Monitor for alterations in pulmonary functioning (e.g., dry cough, stridor, dyspnea, rales

Actual-potential nursing diagnosis: impaired gas exchange

Nursing interventions

Elevate head of the bed 30 deg

Oxygen therapy as ordered by physician

Teach pursed-lip breathing

Sexual dysfunction Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Assess nature and frequency of dysfunction
Assess self-image and perceptions of partner

Nursing interventions

Provide information regarding effects of treatment and disease process on sexuality Provide specific suggestions on strategies to adapt to change (lubrication, position, etc.)

Refer to counseling as needed

Stomatitis

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters
Assess oral cavity and mucosa

Actual-potential nursing diagnosis: alterations in oral mucous membrane

Nursing interventions

Advise dental consultation for pre-existing problems before initiating biotherapy Instruct patient to report oral discomfort as soon as it occurs

Instruct patient to avoid irritants (e.g., alcohol, tobacco, spices, acidic foods, commercial mouthwashes, extreme temperatures in food and beverages)

Instruct in oral hygiene measures (e.g., bicarbonate rinses and Nystanstin Swish [Pharmaderm, Melville, NY])

Other Side Effects

Alopecia

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Patterns of hair loss

Anticipated impact of hair loss on body image

Actual-potential nursing diagnosis: disturbance in self-concept

Nursing interventions

Reassure patient regarding hair regrowth if appropriate

Encourage patient to select wigs, scarves, hats before hair loss becomes profound Anemia

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Monitor hematocrit - hemoglobin periodically during therapy and after discontinuing therapy

Identify possible source of anemia other than biotherapy (e.g., gastrointestinal bleed)

(Table continued on following page)

Monitor number of phlebotomies—iatrogenic cause of anemia while on biologic response modifier

Actual-potential nursing diagnosis: potential for injury

Nursing interventions

Advise patient to adjust activity level to include provisions for rest periods as needed Advise patient to observe changes in activity level; report shortness of breath and

palpitations

Assess need for oxygen therapy and institute as needed Administer transfusions as ordered

Leukopenia

Pathophysiology—redistribution vs. destruction

Nursing assessment parameters

Assess patient daily for signs and symptoms of infection, instruct patient in same

Monitor vital signs as indicated

Monitor white blood cell count and differential

Actual - potential nursing diagnosis: infection potential for

Nursing interventions

Prevent trauma to skin and mucous membranes

Avoid elective dental work and surgery

Avoid enemas and rectal temperatures

Avoid catheterizations

Use a soft toothbrush or toothettes or alternative nonabrasive dental cleaning devices

Perform mouth care as indicated

Prevent pressure sores

Perform perineal care

Teach sexual hygiene

Change intravenous equipment as indicated Instruct patient on bathing and personal hygiene

Metabolic alterations

Hypokalemia-hyperkalemia

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Observe for clinical manifestations

Hypokalemia (e.g., muscular weakness, paralytic ileus, muscle twitches, polyuria

Hyperkalemia (e.g., confusion, complaints of numbness or tingling, weakness, cardiac arrhythmias

Monitor serum potassium level

Hypomagnesemia

Pathophysiology—related to fluid imbalances

Nursing assessment parameters

Observe for clinical manifestations (e.g., anorexia, nausea, vomiting, lethargy, weakness, personality changes, tetany)

Monitor magnesium level

Central nervous system

Neuropsychiatric effects

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters—assess for

Weakness and numbness of arms, hands, legs, and feet

Hoarseness, jaw pain

Slapping gait, foot drop, balance problems

Abdominal cramping, constipation, paralytic ileus

Mental depression, confusion, agitation, anxiety

Cranial nerve palsy

Decreased or absent deep tendon reflexes

Tinnitus

Actual - potential nursing diagnoses

Potential for injury

Impaired physical mobility

Self-care deficit

Nursing interventions

Encourage active - passive range of motion

Encourage ambulation and optimal activity with supervision

Teach patient safety measures to avoid injury Arrange for physical therapy consultation

Renal toxicity

Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Verify baseline renal function

Assess for fluid imbalance (e.g., skin, laboratory studies, intake and output)

Weigh as indicated

Actual-potential nursing diagnosis: alteration in fluid volume: excess

Nursing interventions

Encourage adequate fluid intake

Instruct patient to report urinary changes

Thrombocytopenia Pathophysiology

Nursing assessment parameters

Observe patient for bruises, petechiae, or bleeding from orifices

Monitor platelet count

Assess level of risk for bleeding

Monitor vital signs

Actual - potential nursing diagnosis: potential for injury

Nursing interventions

Institute bleeding precautions

Discourage physical activity that could cause injury

Monitor environment for sharp objects

Avoid straight-edged razor

Avoid aspirin-containing drugs

Guaiac stool, urine, emesis

Apply pressure to venipuncture site 3-5 minutes

Discourage bare feet during ambulation

Monitor peri-pad count on menstruating female patients

Prevent constipation

Use toothettes or alternative nonabrasive dental cleaning devices if bleeding occurs with a soft toothbrush

Avoid invasive procedures

Use fingerstick for blood drawing when possible

No elective surgery or dental work

No intramuscular injections

Observe for integrity of skin and mucous membranes

Administer platelet transfusions as ordered

Allergic - Anaphylactic Reactions

Types of Reactions

Local reactions (e.g., phlebitis) Systemic reactions (anaphylaxis)

Nursing Assessment Parameters

Localized allergic response Generalized allergic response

Subjective symptoms
Objective signs

Emergency Measures

Localized allergic response Generalized allergic response

Adults Children

Adjuvant Measures

Prophylactic medications
Desensitization procedures
Mechanisms for Reporting Adverse Drug Reactions
Hospital – agency's pharmacy and therapeutics committee
National Cancer Institute
Drug companies
Principal investigator
US Pharmacopeia
Journal articles, letters to the editor

Adapted from Carter P, Engelking C, Rumsey K, et al: Biological Response Modifier Guidelines: Recommendations for Nursing Education and Practice. Pittsburgh, Oncology Nursing Society, 1989, p 3-9.

NURSING MANAGEMENT

The major nursing responsibilities associated with BRM are listed in Table 5. Each of these responsibilities will be discussed in the following sections. Expected nursing and patient outcomes are listed in Table 6. Nurses must remain sensitive to balancing the "high-tech" requirements of BRM studies with the "high-touch" needs of patients and their families participating in these clinical trials. 4.8,28,29

Patient Referral and Accrual to Clinical Trials

Almost 1 million people are diagnosed each year with cancer, and 5 million people are alive with the disease. Only a small percentage (1 to 3%) of eligible patients participate in clinical trials, however. As a result of this poor level of participation, improvements in cancer care are not realized as quickly as might be expected. The reasons for this lack of participation are many, but one of them is the patient's lack of knowledge about and insufficient understanding of clinical trials. Nurses should participate in educating the general public about clinical trials. In addition, they should take an active role in assisting, counseling, and supporting individual patients in deciding about their participation in clinical trials.

Coordinating Care

This is more often the "invisible" work that consumes a considerable amount of the nurse's time. The coordination role focuses in on providing direct care services and is crucial to maintaining the quality of the clinical trial being conducted.²³

Pretreatment Administration Assessment

The pretreatment assessment should include a history of the patient's previous treatments and disease course, knowledge about the current treatment plan, evidence that informed consent was obtained, a physical assessment (including cardiopulmonary and neurologic systems), and assessment of laboratory values (including renal, hepatic, and hematologic parameters).

Table 4. Summary of Flu-like Syndrome in Therapy with Biologic Response Modifiers

CSFs	Depends on agent Generally low grade	Uncommon	Common May be severe	Common Not clearly
MoAB	Common Various patterns Antibody-antigen reac- tion	Common	Arthralgias	Uncommon . Not clearly .
IL-2	Almost universal Delayed onset	Common	Uncommon	Common Yes
TNF	Common Rapid onset Biphasic patterns Tolerance may develop	Common	Common	Common Yes
IFNs	Almost universal Rapid onset Monophasic Tolerance may develop	Common "Shake and bake"	Common May be of moderate severity	Common Yes
	Fever	Chills-rigors	Myalgias	Headache Dose-depen- dent effects

ABBREVIATIONS: INFS = interferons; TNF = tumor necrosis factor; IL-2 = interleukin-2; MoAB = monoclonal antibodies, and CSF = colony-From Haeuber D. Recent advances in the management of biotherapy-related side effects: Flu-like syndrome. Oncol Nurs Forum 16(suppl):37, stimulating factors.

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Table 5. Nursing Responsibilities

Patient accrual to clinical trials
Coordinating care
Preadministration assessment
Preparation and administration of biologic response modifiers
Managing side effects
Monitoring and documenting biologic response modifier effects
Patient – family education
Nursing research

Preparation and Administration of the Agent

The principles governing the preparation and administration of BRM are similar to those used with chemotherapy. Most BRM need to be refrigerated and should not be reconstituted for long periods of time. The nurse should check the product information for specifics on reconstitution. Emergency equipment should be available. Nurses should administer premedications as prescribed, allowing enough time for the drugs to exert their therapeutic effects before the administration of the BRM.

Assessment and Management of Common Side Effects

The assessment and management of the common side effects associated with BRM are listed in Table 3. Nurses must be aware of these side effects and perform ongoing assessments of the patients. Early recognition and management of these potential problems will enhance the patient's level of comfort during treatment.

Monitoring the type, timing, intensity, and duration of side effects in relation to the BRM administration and effects of any interventions should be documented. Patients and families should be encouraged to keep a log or journal of the side effects that they experience.

Table 6. Biologic Response Modifiers (BRM) Nursing Practice Outcomes

Only adequately prepared, registered professional nurses skilled in administering BRM will assume responsibility for BRM administration to maintain high standards of practice that ensure the delivery of quality patient – family care.

The patient will comprehend the consequences of treatment and be aware that previously unrecognized or unknown effects may occur with investigational agents. Biologic agents will be prepared and stored in a manner that maintains stability and sterility, and promotes desired activity of the agent.

The patient will receive the prescribed BRM in a manner that promotes both patient safety and maximal activity of the agent.

Patients and family members will have the information necessary for them to participate in care associated with biotherapy at the level they desire.

Patient, family, and nurse will assume responsibility for reporting and documenting the occurrence of biotherapy-induced reactions.

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Patient and Family Education

Educating the patient and family and promoting self-care activities as appropriate are ongoing nursing responsibilities. The educational process is extremely important, particularly with investigational therapies. Some BRM are self-administered, and the patient and family will require detailed instructions on mixing and injecting techniques.

Nursing Research

Nursing research to improve the care of persons receiving BRM should be conducted. Particular emphasis needs to be placed on the effective management of the symptoms associated with the treatment.

ISSUES

Patients should be encouraged to participate in their own care as much as possible. This is particularly important because several broad issues are related to BRM that will be the subject of ongoing discussion and debate in future years. These issues include informed consent, access to this type of treatment regimen, and the needs of health care professionals to remain current on this treatment modality. These issues are discussed in the following sections.

Informed Consent

The intent for obtaining informed consent is, first, to involve patients in their own care and, second, to fulfill legal requirements. As The nurse plays a critical role in obtaining informed consent from the patient by providing education about the proposed treatment and its benefits and risks as well as acting as a patient advocate. The degree of nursing involvement in this process is variable and is often determined by the individual nurse. As part of the informed consent process, it may be necessary to differentiate between clinical trials and unproven or questionable methods of cancer treatment. This distinction may be difficult for the patient and the public because many of the unproven methods, such as immunoaugmenting therapy, have similar-sounding approaches to BRM. Page 19.

Access to Care

The average cost of developing a new BRM agent is \$125 million. The world market for immunomodulators is expected to exceed \$800 million by 1991 and \$3 billion by 1997. Thical issues of access to and costs of BRM will continue to be of concern during the next decade. Access and cost are receiving much more attention in the media. Issues surrounding access to azidothymidine by human immunodeficiency virus – infected persons have highlighted the problems experienced by a specific population and underscore the problem that oncology patients may begin to experience as BRM are integrated into routine cancer care.

Resource Use

Between 1983 and 1988, more than 3000 articles were published on human interferon as a cancer treatment. Interestingly, this contrasts with fewer than 200 articles on cancer rehabilitation being published during the same period. Although it is impossible to remain current on all of the agents, numerous resources including journals, conferences, professional colleagues, and associations are available to assist the nurse in remaining current with this rapidly changing field.

One of the most useful resources is the Physician Data Query system available through the Cancer Information Service of the National Cancer Institute (NCI). This service is available in most libraries or by calling 1-800-4-CANCER. Additional information can be provided to patients, families, or nurses that is disease or treatment specific by calling NCI's Cancer Information Service or by contacting the local branch of the American Cancer Society. The specific study protocol and product information available from the sponsoring company usually outlines in some detail the known activity and side effects associated with the specific BRM. Local nursing experts can be identified and contacted through local chapters of the Oncology Nursing Society (1-412-921-7373).

SUMMARY

Nurses have and will continue to play a crucial role in the development and application of new BRM agents and products. Joint ventures between the National Cancer Institute, traditional academic centers, and private industry have produced new partnerships expanding the number and types of biologic research studies being conducted in various patient care settings. Nursing's contributions in these new ventures are significant and ongoing.

If not directly involved in studying and administering BRM agents, the nurse will be involved in the education and counseling of persons who may participate in this new cancer treatment modality. Nurses will need to be familiar with BRM because many people will query them about this new field. Dr. Ehrlich concluded his address in 1900 by stating: "We no longer find ourselves lost on a boundless sea, but that we have already caught a distinct glimpse of the land which we hope, nay, which we expect, will yield rich treasures for biology and therapeutics." 12 Are we there yet?

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ANNUAL REPORTS

ALUMNAE PRESIDENT

The Alumnae Board held 10 meetings since Homecoming '90. We meet in the conference room of our office suite in Ruth Sleeper Hall. In addition, we have participated in the dedication of the Nurses' Conference Room on Ellison 10. This was held on October 10, 1990 with a reception in the Wang Building, Walcott Rooms.

On November 19, 1990, we hosted the reception for the Ruth Sleeper Scholarship. Miss Sleeper presented scholarships to Holly Ellison and Christine Mahoney both second year students in the IHP Nursing Program.

As president of the Alumnae, I accepted an invitation to participate in the Generalist Completion Ceremony on May 3, 1991 of the IHP. Each participant was given a rose from the Alumnae and membership in the association. On that occasion it was my pleasant duty to present the Adele Corkum Award to Henry Stephen Weinberger. The award goes to a student who has the qualities we all remember in Corkie.

Finally, there was the June 21st graduation of the IHP. Dr Susan Reverby, Professor of Women's Studies at Wellesly College gave the address.

I'd like to repeat here what I've often said about our group. We who have accepted the responsibility for keeping our association alive and strong are well supported by a generous and energetic group of volunteers under the direction of Lee Drago. We were saddened to accept Ann Cahill's resignation this year from her duties on the Board. She has our respect and gratitude for many jobs well-done and our wishes for health and happiness.

My goal in the second year in office is to continue to reach out to broaden the membership and woo IHP grads. I see a good source of future CEU programs in that population. We regret the resignation of Dr Grady, but will work to maintain an effective and harmonious relationship with the IHP, as we always have. The success of that program will give exciting careers to the participants, benefiting many who will cross their paths.

Respectfully submitted, Jeannette B. Blaine President

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

September 28, 1991

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Jeannette B. Blaine, President.
- 2. The minutes of the September 29, 1990 business meeting were read and accepted.
- 3. The reports were given by the President, other officers, committee chairpersons, and the alumnae secretary.
- 4. The election results were reported:

Treasurer Barbara Mahoney '63

Board of Directors Catherine Harrington Boyd '52 Ann Cosco Quealy '64

> Nominating Committee Mary Anne Kieran '65

5. A vote was taken to destroy the ballots.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted Linda Lass-Schuhmacher

ALUMNAE SECRETARY

We have 67 new members and extend our welcome to them. Our total membership of 1182 includes 97 complimentary members.

There were 65 who did not renew membership and we have been notified of 28 deaths. Sympathy is extended to all family members and friends.

We have reached the highest total ever in our fund drive which this year is \$12,592.00.

Special recognition is given to my co-worker, Alma Robbins, volunteers Miriam Huggard, Ann Cahill and all the class representatives who helped in the smooth operation of the alumnae office.

Respectfully submitted Eligia M Drago

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

On September 27, 1991, the Alumnae sponsored a CEU Program in the Wang Ambulatory Care Center at MGH. The featured speaker was Deborah K Mayer RN, MSN, OCN. The program was titled: An Oncology Nursing Symposium: Past, Present and Future Status of Biological Response Modifiers. Ms. Mayer was also the speaker at the Homecoming program on Saturday.

Respectfully submitted Mary Caira

ALUMNAE RECORD

Two issues of the Record were published this past year. There has been an increase in the amount of class news being sent in and I hope that the year to come will see this continue.

The editor would like to apologize for problems that caused some of the paragraphs in the feature article in the Spring/Summer edition to be inadvertently reversed so the story does not read as the author wrote it. In reprinting this article we had only the copy sent to the office from a member from Falmouth who stated it was to be printed in the Alumnae Record which we thought was complete but was not. A full copy of the article can be requested from the Alumnae Record. We received a letter from Alta Mae Stevens, the author regarding this problem and wish to formally apologize to her and to Dr. McManus for this problem.

Many thanks again this year to Liz Ryder for her help with the Record.

Remember if you have ideas or news make sure to let me know.

Respectfully submitted Linda Lass-Schuhmacher

RUTH SLEEPER SCHOLARSHIP

At the Ruth Sleeper Reception on November 19, 1990 there were 2 Ruth Sleeper Scholarships awarded.

The recipients were Holly Ellison and Christine Mahoney. Two scholarships were awarded this year because the tow recipients were so close in Grade Point average - only one tenth of one point apart.

The scholarship account continues to be well funded and the committee has new members, Ann Mercurio Fogarty and Elizabeth Ryder.

Respectfully submitted Anne Mercurio Fogarty

ANNABELLA MCCRAE LOAN FUND

There were three loans given from the Fund this year. Two for January, 1991 and one for the September, 1991 semesters.

This year it was also unfortunately necessary to use the services of a collection agency for several delinquent accounts. As a result, several

back accounts were paid in full and others had made payments on them.

Respectfully submitted Anne M. Fogarty

SALLY JOHNSON/FELICIA FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIPS

The Scholarship Committee received two applications for this year's scholarships. Both applicants were awarded the scholarships from the Sally Johnson Fund. We are pleased to announce that the recipients were:

Patricia Poster Hansen '65 - MS in social Work

Anne Marie Craman '79 - MS in Nursing

In addition to the scholarships granted to nurses going fur full time study, there are now some scholarships available for part time study. Please contact the Alumnae Office and specify interest in applying for either full or part time scholarships.

Applications must be submitted before May 1st. the committee meets in May to decide the awards to be granted in the following fall or spring semester.

> Respectfully submitted Marlene Norton

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The results are as listed in the minutes of the annual business meeting.

> Respectfully submitted Anne Cosco Quealy

TREASURER'S REPORT

During the year ending December 31, 1990, the Association earned 45,289 from dues, fund drive, interest on bank accounts and miscellaneous donations to the General Fund.

In that period we spent \$46,591 on the day to day operation of the Association. This amount includes, secretarial salaries, publishing of the Alumnae Record, printing, postage, utilities and auditor's fee. It includes also, the money awards given each year to students at the IHP. There are two awards given from our "working funds" in the names of Ruth Sleeper and Adele Corkum. Last year these awards amounted to \$4500.

In addition to our working funds, we gave scholarships from the Sally Johnson/Felicia Fullerton Scholarship Fund amounting to \$6000.

Loans of \$4500 were made from the Annabella McCrae Loan Fund.

Two gifts have been made from the Bertella Tompkins Fund.

While our expenses continue to increase we have been fortunate in being able to meet those expenses without increasing costs to our members.

My thanks to all who have paid dues; responded to fund drives and made other donations.

Copies of the Auditor's report as well as a detailed financial report will be available at the Alumnae Office.

Respectfully submitted Catherine Boyd

Homecoming Photos 1991

Photos in this issue of the Alumnae Record may be ordered through the Alumnae Office. Photos are available in 5 X 7 size **only** and are \$8.00 per photo (includes postage).

All orders must by received by January 15, 1992 - we will not accept orders after that date.

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INSTITUTE CORNER

We thought the membership would be interested in the bio of the Interim Director of the Graduate Program in Nursing at the IHP. In July, Judith Lewis was appointed to that position and although there will be a national search for a new director that process has not begun as of this date.

Education: A.B. English and American Literature - Brandeis University, B.S. Nursing - Boston University, M.S. Nursing - University of California, San Francisco, Ph.D. Health Policy - Brandeis University, Certified OB/GYN Nurse Practitioner.

Experience: Staff Nurse (medical units, operating room, Labor & Delivery); Vietnam Era Veteran - Navy Nurse Corps; Nurse Educator - LPN, OR Tech students; Academic Positions - Boston State College Department of Nursing (5 years), University of Massachusetts at Boston College of Nursing (6 years total - 3 as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs); MGH IHP currently in 4th year was coordinator of Women's Health Specialty for 3 years.

Personal: Married for 21 years to Arthur Lewis, one son, Jonathan, age 14.

At homecoming this year Judy was able to join us for the Luncheon and was able to share the following with the group as well as being available to answer any questions that people had regarding the program:

I am pleased to bring greetings to the Alumnae on behalf of the Graduate Program in Nursing. I assumed the position of Interim Director on July 1, 1991.

The program continues to grow and flourish. This year's enrollment is up 10 FTE's over last year's. This September we welcomed 36 new 3-year students and 6 new Registered Nurse students, several of whom are MGH Alumnae.

Our Critical Care specialty is a reality, and the first students in this track will finish in June. We have a state-of-the-art Critical Care laboratory on the 3rd floor of Ruth Sleeper Hall.

I'd like to thank members of the Alumnae Association for their warm welcome and encouragement. You support our program in many important ways, and this support is crucial to our continued success. I look forward to meeting more of you and to working with your organization to continue to strengthen the links between us.

NEWS NOTE

MNA 1991 Distinguished Service Award

This year the presenter was Joanne Garvey who stated:

It is my pleasure to present this year's Distinguished Service Award. This award is given to a District 5 member who has made a significant contribution to the District by: holding office; performance of committee work or contributing to District 5 activities.

One of her colleagues wrote: "I do not recall any time during the previous 17 years of my membership in District 5 that she has not been active on a District 5 committee or committees. she has not merely been a "joiner" of these committees; rather has been an active, visible and constructive contributor to the committees on which she has held membership. She has been a leader among her colleagues and has motivated other members to contribute quality work to the advancement of District 5."

Tonight's recipient, a past member of the District 5 Board of Directors, has been a longstanding member of both the District;s Finance and Awards committees. she has been a tremendous asset to the members of each of these Committees. On the finance Committee she has demonstrated expert knowledge of the budget process and financial planning. she also brings a knowledge of district history and affairs to budget deliberations from which to judge new programs and initiatives.

She has exerted strong leadership and influenced the evolution that has occurred within the awards committee during her tenure as chairperson and as a member. Over the years, she has been instrumental in refining and improving the selection criteria, the nominations process and the procedures utilized by this committee.

Her commitment, dependability and dedication to accomplishing the goals of district 5 make her a role model for all that are involved in the professional association to emulate.

It is will deep appreciation that the 1991 District 5 Distinguished Service Award is presented to ...

Dorothy Mahoney (MGH '52)

The hospital has begun to put out on display some of the historical memorabilia that is around. We have been asked by the administration to loan some of the Alumnae historical materials for this venture. To date the MGH Nursing School Pin Collection has been placed on the wall in the office corridor on White 1 and the framed copies of the diplomas that appeared in the last issue. We will be adding other pieces on the walls and cabinets in the White 1 Conference Room. The materials we have will be much appreciated by all who are in the area.

If you have historical materials pertaining to the school or the hospital and would like to donate them for display please contact the Alumnae Office, attention Linda Lass-Schuhmacher. We are still seeking pins for the permanent collection as we do not have pins from all of the years and this is our goal. Most of the pins we have received have been from relatives or the estates of graduates.

CLASS NEWS

1924

We are happy to acknowledge that Mary Gullard Hewins was generous enough to send her pin to be added to the permanent collection. Thank you from the Alumnae Association.

1934

Ellie E Kolman 41 Washington Street Newburyport, MA 01950

I have received many letters in response of news requested by me from our classmates. Here are some to start, more to follow for the next issue. Jeannette Durgin Rockwell writes from Barrington, NH in her own words: "I am always interested in hearing about our classmates. I spend summers here in Barrington. I am here alone. My Al died Christmas Eve 1987. I have a home in Sarasota, FL. I have to depend on my boys to help me open and close here. I shall come north as long as I can. Both places are so far from my kids. I planned to live with my husband forever." She lists her family as 2 daughters, 2 sons, 4 granddaughters, 4 grandsons, 4 great grandchildren. Jeannette gave news of Dorothy Kenniston Champigny's loss of her husband Roy in 1988. Millie Kennear Cherry lost Wes in 1988 also. Millie lives now in FI.

Doris Dawson sends in a brief note: "My husband has Alzheimer's and

has been at the ARBOES, a facility for Alzheimer's for a year. Previously I took care of him for 2 1/2 years then I had to have gall bladder surgery. Gardening has ben my therapy. I am coping. Training helped." Doris' address: Stoneledge Farm, Ferrisburgh, VT 05473. She would like to hear from classmates.

A note from Rita Rein Hey, from Port St Lucie, FL. She writes: "Please give my best wishes to our classmates at the reunion. Sorry not to be in the Boston area at Homecoming time. We are fine and enjoying southern Florida life style. We have a 25' cabin cruiser. I play golf often. we still have nieces and nephews in the area."

News of Marie Giardina came by mail last year. Too late for the News and was misplaced by me but found again. Marie wrote: "Have had a heart problem and hope to make it for our 56th with Fittsie. We keep in touch with one another. I have fifteen grandchildren and one great grandchild. I do keep busy." Marie's husband also has had serious health problems but has improved. In the spring of 1991 Marie appeared well at Helen Mulkern Carney's home at a luncheon attended by Barbara Berry Leary, Helen Gillis Winmill, Louise Fitts Davis, Mary Camelio Dale, and myself. Mary and I kept in touch with one another, frequently when I lived Natick before movina to Newburyport. Mary has one granddaughter and one grandson. She keeps busy joining with her home town seniors of Walpole in many senior activities. Her health is good, She sends her best wishes to all. We exchanged news of ourselves eagerly since last seen, remembered student day experiences then turned to the present day to what is going on at the MGH, the changes all around us as well. The afternoon went quickly unnoticed by all and we had finally to thank our gracious hostess and hope we would meet again soon if not at the Homecoming. More news in the next issue of the Alumnae Record..

1936

Marjorie Goldthwait Richardson 386 Riverway, Apt #4 Boston, MA 02115

Another "long-lost" class member has surfaced: Barbara Hatch Rice. Her nephew, Nicholas Pendleton, who is manager of the Family Inn in Brookline, called the Alumnae Office to see if they could help him with information about his aunt's class and classmates. They sent him information and put him in touch with me, and I told him about Edith Lee McCormick, who was Barbara's roommate and who has been looking for Barb for years. Barbara came East, but on a flying visit, and we did not hear directly from her. Her nephew has written for us the following note:

Barbara Hatch Rice (Mrs James) makes annual trips back to Maine from Orange, CA where she and Jim are retired. Barbara and daughters, Deborah and Susan along with grandson Douglas more recently travelled to Alaska for rafting.

Barbara's great love for horses carries on in Deborah, who received the gold individual medal in dressage for disabled riders last august in Denmark. There were riders from 14 countries and she became a world champion. Barbara has wonderful memories of MGH and it is nice that contact with her roommate, Edie, and classmate, Goldy, has been made. Her address is: 123 East Adams St, Orange, CA 92667.

Homecoming has come and gone. and Geraldine Rice Covell was the only representative of our class attending. Rita Keane Murphy and I called a number of classmates but found no one able or willing to attend. Actually, we didn't collect everyone is much news either; slowing down a little. Louise Howe (Edna Emerson) is back to her concert work after suffering a broken shoulder in a fall. Edie wrote that she had been visited by Dot Emery Cornell and Bernice Kimball McKay and gave me new addresses for them. I seem to have lost dot's, but Bernie is now at 38 Mariner Ln. Yarmouthport, MA 02675. Edie was coming to Homecoming (our 55th) but had a fall and is not vet walking well. Evelyn Lyons Lawlor has been in the Quincy Hospital and is not feeling very well. Edie sent me a copy of Eunice Pike's book, "An Uttermost Part", which came out in 1971 but has been revised and reissued in paperback. I haven't read it vet, but would be glad to share it with anyone who would like to borrow it. Eunice is still teaching at the Summer Institute Linguistics in Texas.

Remember reading about the woman who disappeared from Salem Willows and whose weighted body was brought up with his traps by a lobsterman off Gloucester? The lobsterman was Hooper Goodwin, whose grandfather was Dr Stanford Hopkins. Dr Hopkins was married to our late classmate, Lois Alexander, so it is her grandson who was in the news.

Eileen Glynn Clark died last June in California.

1938

We received the following letter:

Joseph and I attended his 50th reunion at the US Military Academy at West Point. also attending were Bertha Navas (my roommate) and her husband Dan Briggs (Joe's roommate at West Point). At a gathering, we met Grace Mastro MGH '41 spouse of Philip Cibotti WP '40. Grace was a Navy Nurse in the 40's and met her husband in Japan.

During March and April, 1990, Joe and I spent 6 weeks in the Mid east. We visited our son and family in Tel Aviv. we saw much of Israel. We also spent 10 days in Egypt and 3 days in Jordan, Aman and Petra. It seems we were there at the right time.

Joe and I have been to 3 Elderhostels. One in Savannah, Georgia, and 2 in New Mexico. We find them stimulating, both in content and the people in the group.

In another note Alfred and Alice Rota donated a generous sum to the Scholarship Fund in memory of Miss Mary Rota who died March 18, 1991 after being ill for 1 year with pancreatic cancer. They wrote "She was always a nurse and retired to a new house 10 years ago next to her old home where she grew up."

September, 1940

Eleanor Belcher Call 10550 State Road 84, L141 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33324

During the year I heard from a few of our classmates. I talk often with Olga Andruskiw (Midge). Midae is planning to spend some time in Florida next year. I hope we can get to visit. Heard from Carolyn Dean who called to tell me that Barbara Shattuck Bianco died October 10. 1991. Carolyn broke her left ankle last January but is doing fine now. Carolyn and Edith Curtis Masters attended Homecoming, along with Jo Mangio Keaveney, Millie Anderson Alfieri and Rae Egan Tally from our February section. Elizabeth Pritchard Dunbar didn't do as much travelling this year. she had a right Hip replacement operation June 10, 1991, she got along fine, and when she wrote in September was walking with a cane, but expected to give that up.

Barbara Pickett Malone is still working part time. she is planning to visit her daughter in California in November.

Eleanor Palmer Gleiser travelled to New England, New York and Erie, PA. She went to Norwich, CT for her 55th High School Reunion. she visited Dorothy Boos Wyman who lives in Erie. Mary Galbraith Wahl went to Vermont for her 55th High School Reunion. Mary told me she heard that Kay Norris was in CT for a wedding.

I would like to hear from more of our classmates in the future. Please write!

In a separate note from Josephine Mangio Keaveney, 76 Oakdale Ave, Dedham, MA 02026 she writes:

At the Sept 1991 Homecoming there were fine members of the Class of 1940: Millie Anderson Alfieri, Rae Eagen Tally, Jo Mangio Keaveney, Carolyn Dean, and Edith Curtis Masters. We all sat at the same table and enjoyed "catching up" on news. We would like to see more class members next year.

Sad news came our way in October. Barbara Shattuck Bianco died October 10, 1991 in Boston. Our deepest condolenceses to her family.

Please send your news.

1941

In a letter from Dorothea Stacey Mason:

50 years graduated! Can't believe it. don't feel 50 years older; I just move that way. Couldn't find a travel-helpmate during Reunion time -- and I do

like some help occasionally for limitations of movement caused by arthritis, PMR and some visual impairment. A disappointment!

Worked as "Scrub" successively for two Boston surgeons after I left MGHOR: to Puerto Rico shortly after my marriage, where I edited medical articles (written by doctors whose first language was Spanish) for English journals: and had two children. I was a stay-at-home Mother during several other moves. In 1965 I became Medicine nurse in Pittsburg, and remained for fine vears: then returned to Canada. I was Occupational Health Nurse in automotive plant in nearby town until retirement. a surprise 75th birthday bash for me, now the matriarch, brought family together, including Russ' family from Maryland. As he joined Elaine's family, there I was with six grandchildren from 16 to 6, and not a namecarrier in the lot. all girls.

I live alone, do volunteer telephone and calligraphy work for help-seniors and church groups.

I hear from Connie Smith Zullo. Any one know about Agnes Steinhilber Huston '40? Would love to hear from anyone inclined to write -- and would love to know if anyone lives near the border in Michigan.

1942

Helen E. Sundrell writes "Sorry not to be able to make the Homecoming this year. the good Lord willing I'll see you in '92. She also writes Mary Maloney has had a horrendous year classmates. Her address: 99 Kent St #420. Brookline, MA 02146, telephone 617 277 0236.

1947

We received a note from Mr Henry C Reardon of Phoenix AZ that his wife Joan passed away several years ago. He said she valued highly her association with the MGH and would like to make a modest contribution in her name. she was the former Joan Allen.

Helen King McCoy 158 Mountain Ave Park Ridge, NJ 07656

First, we all send our sincere sympathy to Yvonne and George Ogilvie on the death of their son Harry (age 33) from acute leukemia. He was married and left a wife and 2 small sons. He was ill only 5 weeks. Our prayers for all of you Yvonne.

Homecoming '91 - Annia, Rita Plummer, Mary Wallace, Anne Walsh, Barbara Watson, Yvonne Withers, and Helen King.

The Carriers are back from France and we expect to see them, when we are on the Cape in mid-November (Betty Anderson).

Jean Barrows was in Falmouth Hospital in June in acute distress, triggering a cardiac episode. she's contemplating cardiac catheterization at NE Deaconess. All started with an ordinary sore throat into respiratory distress. Keep us posted, Jean.

Dot Drury is looking for "leaf watchers" to stop by, up in Williamstown.

Annia's son, Roger, was on TV, an environmentalist on Nantucket. Ded anyone see him? Bob is on oxygen now. Keeping he and Annia much at home.

In June, Annia, Barbara Watson, Mary Wallace and husbands got together at Barbara Watson's house in Rockport. In August, at Mary Wallace's house, Barbara, Rita Plummer, Annia, and Marge Wood greeted Maryola Warren who came up from Galop, NM. Her mother was at MGH. They had a great time!

Marty Faulkner just retired and we hopefully expect her at '92 Homecoming. Her husband died in 1980. she has been in a non nursing job. She's on a freighter to South America this fall. Isn't that great!

Halsey and Marge Wood Young travelled across the country this summer. Visited her daughter in Portland, Oregon. Travelled 8500 miles - Vancouver - Baniff, all the National Parks.

Sally Thorndike retired and wants West coast visitors to stop by.

Barbara Watson's husband fell, following the hurricane - drove himself to the doctor. Hospitalized with a fracture L1. He is in a white fiberglass cast except for 1 hour daily. Has 6 more months, even eats standing up. Can't sit, but does walk daily. Good luck Francis.

Esther Reade and Tom Wilson just moved to their new home in Zanesville, Ohio. Tom retired August 31, with a super send-off party by his congregation and they of course had to leave the parish manse. Lots of work in their new house (35 years old) paint, paper. rugs, drapes, etc. she enjoys the neighborhood and it's very convenient to everything. Her son. was married Thanksgiving. Esther had her first grandson. Charles Ridgeley Pue Brown IV. a redhead on January 2. She's coming next September.

Please send your ideas, plans and suggestions for Sept. 1992. I want your input. Make plans and reservations early. there are so many tour groups in the area at that time of year. Please try to help me find our "missing members". Thank you.

September, 1949

The following letters were received on request when the Alumnae fund drive letters were sent out.

Ruth Stillman Fernandez wrote that Lu retired in March. They are touring Alaska and then visiting a daughter in Oregon during month of Sept. Nine grandchildren Future plans: to attend an elderhostel in Costa Rica March 1992.

Ruth Stronach Henshaw sent a card from Nova Scotia - she really knows how to hurt us! All is well and they are enjoying travelling. Trudy Walsh Hynes - she and Warren celebrated their 40th anniversary last May and Warren retired in June. Trudy is a "peer leader" in exercise for senior citizens - a volunteer position. Hoped to spend some time in August in Maine to escape the heat and humidity in Virginia.

Pat Malloy Kenniff - sent news that she would miss Homecoming Sept. 1991 as she and Bob would be in London at that time. Lucky!

Margie Westcott Landrum - sent a nice long note. She retired in March of 1990 on her birthday. she and Bob have 6 children and 13 grandchildren. they all live close enough to visit often. Youngest son, Danny, was in Saudi Arabia but returned safely in May 1990. Margie said talked to Elizabeth Smith by phone for first time in 35 years - a great reunion over the phone!

Ruth Tillson Lowell - sent a note saying expects to go to Homecoming in Sept. 1991 and meet Lyn Poulter Ratcliff and Mary Libbey Morris there.

Pat Edge Wilson retired from her position in out patient department working with people with infectious diseases. Bill has been retired since 1985. Pat's oldest son, Dave, has a 17 year old daughter who swims in state meets. Peter, another son, has 2 children - 1 of which is a diabetic. Grammie Pat has been helping this 6 1/2 year old to do finger sticks and give himself insulin. Daughter, Lou, is an RN and has a 3 1/2 year old son. Son, Ken, is a respiratory therapist, manages a

home care office and does sleep studies on infants and the elderly.

Jackie Auger Brown - we had a busy summer - son, Steve, wife, Leslie, and 3 grand daughters were with us for 7 weeks - they visited from Utah. What a thrill to have our 3 children and their spouses and our 9 grandchildren all under 1 roof for awhile - of course we took lots of pictures. Going to Homecoming and will get caught up on more news. Thanks for sharing a little of yourselves with us.

Addendum from Jackie:

A nice letter from Janice Miller Marks from California. Janice worked for many years with retarded adults and retired 8 years ago. she and husband, Norm, have 3 children and 4 grandchildren. Their daughter is a special education teacher, 1 son in the LAPD and a son, Glenn, a surgical technician who will be married in the Spring. They all live close by and Janice and Norm enjoy watching the children grow. Good to hear from her after so many years!

March 1940

Elsie-Mary Hopkins Barnett 3341 Doncaster court Virginia Beach, VA 23452 Summer Cape Cod 508 255 4348

Only six of us were able to attend Homecoming this past September, Dot Mahoney, Cathy Harrington Boyd, Janet Harrington, Barbara Robinson Sollows-Davis, Eleanor Jones Young and myself. we exchanged pictures of grandchildren and had a good time. Barbara Lumbra Piraino and I attended the CEU Program on Friday. We were the only ones from our class there. Dot Mahoney has offered her house for our 40th gettogether next September so hopefully we will have a good turn out

We are saddened to learn of the recent death of our classmate, Mary Santtelli. she died unexpectedly while recovering from a heart attack.

Mary was the first insulin-dependent diabetic to be admitted to the MGHSON. Following her MGH graduation she received her BSN at BC and her Master's degree at BU and a post-Masters in Rehabilitation at BU.

Mary was a clinical instructor at Pautucket Hospital in Rhode Island. she then taught at Salve Regina College until she retired due to illness. She resided in her hometown of Bristol, RI.

Mary will be remembered for her caring and sharing for and with her family and those of us fortunate to be her friends.

1957

Anne Lanoue Weber (a.k.a. Cokey) 2119 Bobbyber Drive Vienna, VA 22182-4026

Twelve members of the class of 1957 shared luncheon and a social time together at the annual MGH reunion on September 28, 1991. the prevailing topic of conversation

was "what are we going to do next year - our 35th". Yes, next year on September 25 - 26 we shall assemble thirty-five years post graduation. We want EVERYONE to come, so start planning - save your money, make your travel plans, lose 10 pounds, buy a new outfit, or whatever else you do to get yourself up. Listening to the activities both professional and recreational of our classmates was fascinating - we are a good bunch!

Please send me names and addresses of known classmates so that I can get a newsletter with specific reunion plans out during the winter. Be thinking of activities that would entice you to come and send along your suggestion to me.

1958

Ruth Gedies Russo 132 Woburn Street Medford, MA 02155

Sorry I missed the issues last year. We had a good turnout at the 1990 Homecoming, including many of the "Hood" ladies, whom we haven't seen in some time.

I attended Homecoming, 1991 and was pleased to see Maryann Roberts Beaubien, Sue Trudy Peterson, Janet Hames Crook, Sheila Pick Wright, and Judy Madden Fitzsimmons. Judy told us about the wonderful trip she took to Europe touring a number of countries. she is already planning a return trip.

Steve and I went to Hawaii in July for his Submarine Veterans Convention. We spent nine days on Oahu and had a great time Naturally, we crammed in as much sightseeing as possible, and came home exhausted. We are also looking forward to returning to see some of the other islands.

My other "big" news was the wedding of our third son, Jim, in July. Naturally, it was on one of the hottest days in the summer, but a great time was had by all.

Please don't forget that our 35th anniversary is coming up rapidly in 1993. Letters will be sent out in 1992 for updates of our Class Directory. If anyone has any news, please take a moment, and drop me a note.

Hope to hear from some of our classmates, and also to see more of you in the coming years, especially in 1993.

1966

This year was the 25th and the turnout at Homecoming was quite impressive. It was a time to remember the good times and the fun times of our years at MGH. The NU Alternate program had a multievent weekend and over the course of the days 17 our of the 25 were able to get together. For many it was the first time in 25 years that we had seen each other and the amount of news was incredible. For many the weekend was the first time in a while that we survived on 3

hours sleep a day but it was definitely worth it!

Elizabeth McCarthy Rafuse R D 2 Box 187 Prospect Hill St Albans, VT 05478

I am currently employed full time at Northwestern Medical Center, St Albans VT as a staff nurse in ambulatory surgery and recovery room - married to George, 2 sons Matt age 19 and Tim age 14.

PEARLS FROM THE PAST

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MGH founders find a home

n Ether Day, as the hospital recognizes the service of its employees, the MGH will also recognize those individuals who helped it come into being. On Ether Day, October 18, the old Phillips House building will be renamed the Founders House in recognition of the 56 Bostonians who planned and helped pay for Boston's first hospital.

The Phillips House now occupies the top three floors of the Ellison Building. The Founders House will be used for office space, and it will likely continue as a site for patient care until construction of Tower II is complete.

In 1811 the Massachusetts General Hospital was incorporated by the Massachusetts legislature at the request of a group of men including Drs. John Collins Warren and James Jackson, the Rev. John Bartlett, former U.S. President John Adams and President-to-be John Quincy Adams.

It all began as the Rev. Mr. Bartlett walked the narrow hallways of the Boston Almshouse (where he served as Chaplain for three years). The Almshouse was where Boston's mentally or physically ill poor were housed. He was especially moved by a sea captain named Jones who was brought in, placed in a straight jacket, and thrown into a small cell with only straw for a bed and a bucket in which to relieve his needs. "The violent were confined in strait [sicl jackets, and the filth and wretchedness of the place were dreadful," he writes.

The Rev. Mr. Bartlett called a meeting of prominent Bostonians to consider establishing a hospital for the mentally ill. At that meeting were Drs. Warren and Jackson who proposed also building a hospital for the sick. Because they feared being overly ambitious, they first took donations for the hospital for the mentally ill for which Massachusetts Lt. Gov. William Phillips pledged \$20,000.

Lt. Governor Phillips, however, was not the hospital's first donor. Thomas Hancock, between 1760 and 1770, was the first Bostonian to give monies to establish a hospital. And November 12, 1798, Thomas Boylston Esq., established a trust to the town of Boston for a small-pox hospital and mental health institution. But the law firm that was executor of his estate went out of business and the monies were never recovered. The first monies actually realized by the MGH were donated on April 18, 1797 by Lt. Governor Phillips' father, the Hon. William Phillips, who set aside \$5,000 of his estate to establish a hospital.

Drs. Warren and Jackson continued to raise funds and in August 1810 penned the hospital's first fundraising letter. "It has appeared very desirable to a number of respectable gentlemen, that a hospital for the reception of lunatics and other sick persons should be established in this town," they wrote. "It is unnecessary to urge the propriety and even obligation of succoring the poor in sickness...When in distress, every man becomes our neighbour [sic]."²

These efforts came to fruition when the Massachusetts General Hospital opened in 1821. Dr. Warren was the MGH's first surgeon and Dr. Jackson the hospital's first physician. (On October 16, 1846, Dr. Warren performed the historic operation that was the first demonstration of the use of ether for anesthesia). The Rev. Mr. Bartlett's dream of a hospital for the mentally ill was realized in 1817 when the McLean Asylum (now McLean Hospital in Belmont) opened in Charlestown.

For many years, the Massachusetts General Hospital provided care exclusively for the poor. Boston's rich, however, as was the custom were cared for in their homes by private physicians. These private doctors would perform surgery on their patients, often using the top of the kitchen table or an ironing board as an operating table and cleaning their instruments in the milk pan. Hospitals were considered the place of last resort. But with the discovery of antisepsis and anesthesia, the quality of care in hospitals greatly increased, and Boston's affluent began to lament that the poor received better medical care than they did.

So in the early part of this century, the Phillips House was built to provide health care to wealthy patients. With the Phillips House was born the private service. And as a result began the first time that hospital physicians were paid fees directly by their patients.

Dr. J. Collins Warren, the grandson of MGH founder Dr. John C. Warren, was May 17, 1917, the first patient admitted to the Phillips House. Dr. Warren recovered from his ailment though he at first had to put up with unmade beds, mismatching dishes, and cold food. (Dr. J. Collins Warren was the MGH surgeon who introduced Lister's methods of antiseptic surgery in the United States. He also established the celebration of Ether Day).

The Phillips House was treated as a separate hospital (as was the Baker Building, the first hospital building in the country designed for people of moderate means). Patrons left monies exclusively to the Phillips House. and it has always had its own endowment. During the hospital's last Capital Campaign, donors again gave monies exclusively to the Phillips House—toward its reestablishment in the hospital's new Ellison Building. Its spirit and name live on in that facility. The MGH has named the original building the Founders House, keeping alive the legacy of those who declared "Every man is our neighbor" and began an institution as tied to Boston's roots as it is to its future.

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Founders of the MGH

First members of the Corporation

There were 56 members of the corporation—two of the first trustees of the MGH and anyone who gave \$100 or more to the hospital. (The remaining 10 trustees were eventually elected to the corporation). John Adams (second President of the United States) moderated the first meeting of the corporation on April 23, 1811.

Names of the original Corporation read like a Who's Who in

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"The ward will be bereafter called 'Phillips House,' so named in bonor of William Phillips, formerly Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts, and his father of the same name who was the first citizen of Boston to bequeath a considerable sum to the hospital, which bequest, supplemented by gifts from his family, was of the greatest importance in the early critical days." [From the Trustees 1917 report.]



The Phillips House 1917.

IN MEMORIAM

1918	Rubie Smith on August 30, 1991 at Rockport, Massachusetts.
1923	Frances Crocker Chase, on June 30, 1991, at Arlington, Massachusetts.
1924	Grace Moynihan Kelley, on January 26, 1991, at Northboro, Massachusetts.
1924	Dorothy Ricker Corbett, September 26, 1991, at Newburyport, Massachusetts.
1928	Katherine Clark Ernst, on October 2, 1991, at Hyannis, Massachusetts.
1929	Katherine Clark Ernst, October 2, 1991.
1929	Jeanette Wood Roop, August 31, 1991.
1936	Eileen Glynn Clark, on June 29, 1991, at Coronado, California.
1936	Ruth McCracken Newton, 1990.
1938	Mary A. Rota, March 18, 1991.
1938	Evelyn King Helseth, June, 1991.
1939	Florence Gladwin Avery, August 2, 1988.
1940	Barbara Shattuck Bianco, October 10, 1991.
1944	Mary Sullivan McNicholas, April 13, 1991.
1944	Ann LaVigne Fay, on June 26, 1991, at Needham, Massachusetts.
1947	Joan Allen Reardon, date unknown.
1952	Mary A. Santulli, June, 1991.
1959	Marie Dubois Gallagher, July, 1991.





